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SPECIAL NOTICE

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portions of the Address of the Most Worshipful the Grand
Master, and the District Deputy Grand Master of the
District, as he may desire, read at the first Regular
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M.W. BRO. HARRY HAGGART GRAY
Grand Master 1953-1954

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

INSTALLATION OF RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER HARRY HAGGART GRAY AS MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA, A.F. & A.M.

A special Communication of Grand Lodge was held in the Masonic Temple, Donald Street, in the City of Winnipeg, on Wednesday, August 19th, 1953, at 8.00 p.m., for the purpose of installing Right Worshipful Brother Harry Haggart Gray into Office as the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

This special Communication was opened in Ample Form at 8.00 p.m. by the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Gordon A. McMorran, the Invocation was given by R.W. Brother Rev. Harold L. Newton, Grand Chaplain.

PRESENT

M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran.....	Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.....	Grand Master Elect
M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe.....	as Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Robt. E. Emmett.....	Senior Grand Warden
M.W. Bro. Walter C. McDonald.....	as Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White.....	Grand Treasurer
R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson.....	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. Harold L. Newton.....	Grand Chaplain
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas.....	Grand Historian
R.W. Bro. David Rothstein.....	Grand Director of Ceremonies
M.W. Bro. Harry B. Donnelly.....	Grand Librarian
V.W. Bro. Myrton Mills.....	Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. Alex. R. Laird.....	Junior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. H. F. Friesen.....	Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Herbert Purton.....	Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Wm. Caley.....	Grand Organist
V.W. Bro. Jas. Mowat.....	Grand Pursuivant
V.W. Bro. Vere E. G. Little.....	Grand Tyler
R.W. Bro. A. A. MacDonald.....	D.D.G.M. First Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. A. Sundell.....	D.D.G.M. Third Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Clarence Moore.....	D.D.G.M. Seventh Masonic District
R.W. Bro. W. J. Hamblin.....	D.D.G.M. Eighth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. A. Longbottom.....	D.D.G.M. Tenth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Alex. E. Duff.....	D.D.G.M. Twelfth Masonic District

Also present were:

M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1)
 M.W. Bro. Chas E. Cole (7)
 M.W. Bro. A. L. Crossin (10)
 M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11)
 M.W. Bro. S. Burland (12)
 M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt (130)
 M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158)
 M.W. Bro. E. J. Franta, Hon
 P.G.M., North Dakota
 Bro. J. A. Waddell (1) S.D.
 R.W. Bro. John Norquay (2)
 R.W. Bro. A. J. Sawatzky (8)
 R.W. Bro. O. T. Johnson (8)
 R.W. Bro. R. W. Campbell (10)
 R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor (11)
 R.W. Bro. M. E. McKinnon (49)
 W. Bro. G. T. Taylor (63)
 R.W. Bro. A. D. Blair (64)

W. Bro. L. J. Turner (93)
 R.W. Bro. G. O. Couch (109)
 R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter (111)
 W. Bro. A. C. Slessor (111)
 W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114)
 V.W. Bro. E. S. Reeves (121)
 W. Bro. M. G. McKenzie (130)
 V.W. Bro. N. Rothstein (141)
 W. Bro. S. Rosenblat (141), W.M.
 Bro. D. Wolk (141) ,S.D.
 W. Bro. Jack Fred (143)
 W. Bro. H. Bookhalter (143)
 R.W. Bro. J. Reid Glenn (144)
 W. Bro. F. W. Woodward (144)
 Bro. Paul Loebel (153)
 Bro. M. H. Eddington: Emulation
 No. 255, Clinton, Iowa

After Master Masons were admitted, the Grand Master, M.W. Brother McMorran, expressed his regret that due to illness it had not been possible to install R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray into Office at the 78th Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge, however, he was delighted he had made such a splendid recovery that he was able to be present for installation at this Special Communication.

He also gave a hearty welcome to M.W. Bro. Ed. J. Franta, Im. Past Grand Master of North Dakota and Honorary Past Grand Master of this Grand Jurisdiction, who had journeyed from Langdon, N.D., in order to be present at the Installation of R.W. Brother Gray.

The M.W. Grand Master then asked the Grand Installing Officer, M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan to assume the Gavel.

M.W. Bro. Donovan requested R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein, Grand Director of Ceremonies to present the Grand Master Elect, who was then, in a most impressive ceremony installed into Office. At the conclusion, M.W. Bro. Donovan expressed his best wishes to the newly-installed Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Harry H. Gray, adding, that although his activities might be somewhat restricted, it was his fervent hope that the G.A.O.T.U. would give him strength to carry out those plans he felt sure he must have been preparing for some years, for which purpose, he then handed him the Gavel of Authority.

On behalf of Grand Lodge, M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran, presented the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry

H. Gray with the Grand Master's Apron. M.W. Bro. Gray, in thanking the members of Grand Lodge for electing him to the highest office which it was in their power to give, and for such magnificent regalia, said it was his hope that the G.A.O.T.U. would give him the health and strength to carry out the duties of his Office, the plans for which he would be compelled to curtail to some extent.

M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran was then asked to rise when he received from the M.W. Grand Master, on behalf of Grand Lodge, the jewel of a Past Grand Master. In expressing his appreciation of the gift, M.W. Bro. McMorran stated that it would always remind him of one of the most enjoyable years of his life, during which he had been able in some measure to further cement fraternal relationships beyond the borders of our own Jurisdiction.

M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe in a most gracious manner then presented the M.W. Grand Master with a unique chrome and plastic Gavel and expressed the hope that he would be able to use it effectively for the complete balance of his term and that afterwards it would serve to remind him of many years of Service to the Craft.

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray very feelingly expressed his appreciation of the gift.

The Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Harry H. Gray, stated he could not close the meeting without expressing his very deep appreciation to M.W. Bro. Ed. J. Franta, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota for being present at his Installation, having been in each others' company so many times during the last few years, he felt the Ceremony would not have been complete without him.

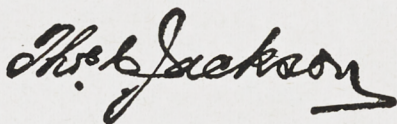
In reply, M.W. Brother Franta expressed the hope that our M.W. Grand Master would regain his health and strength and thus be able to bring to fruition those plans which he must have laid out for his term of Office.

R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein, Grand Director of Ceremonies on behalf of Elected and Appointed Officers, expressed appreciation to the M.W. Grand Master and pledged their loyalty and support.

The M.W. Grand Master in acknowledgment, stated before closing, he wished to express his thanks to the many

brethren for their prayers on his behalf during his illness, when their anxiety on his behalf was deeply appreciated. He also expressed his appreciation to M.W. Brother Donovan for the very impressive manner in which he had conducted his Installation.

The business of the Special Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, having been completed, the Grand Chaplain, led the brethren in prayer and Grand Lodge was closed by M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray in Ample Form.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Chas. Jackson". The signature is written in dark ink and features a long, sweeping horizontal stroke at the end.

Grand Secretary.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba,**A.F. & A.M.**CEREMONY OF CONSECRATION AND
CONSTITUTION OF WOODWORTH LODGE

No. 166, G.R.M.

In the Village of Kenton, Province of Manitoba, on Thursday, July 16th, 1953, the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was convened for the purpose of Consecrating and Constituting the above named Lodge at the hour of 8.00 o'clock in the evening.

After the Lodge had been opened by the Worshipful Master of Woodworth Lodge in the Three Craft Degrees of Freemasonry, the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Gordon A. McMorran and the Grand Lodge Officers then entered the Lodge Room and were welcomed.

There were present with the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Gordon A. McMorran, the following Grand Lodge Officers:

M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe.....	I.P.G.M.
M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole.....	as Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Robt. E. Emmett.....	Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. J. Ferguson Irwin.....	Junior Grand Warden
M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan.....	as Grand Treasurer
R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson.....	Grand Secretary
M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly.....	as Grand Chaplain
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas.....	Grand Historian
R.W. Bro. David Rothstein.....	G.D. of Ceremonies
V.W. Bro. Myrton Mills.....	Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. Alex. R. Laird.....	Junior Grand Deacon
R.W. Bro. Austin D. Blair.....	as Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Herbert Purton.....	Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Fred. C. Courtice.....	as Grand Organist
R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr.....	as Grand Pursuivant
V.W. Bro. Vere E. G. Little.....	Grand Tyler
R.W. Bro. Harold M. Mayhew.....	D.D.G.M. Fifth Masonic District

R.W. Bro. Harold M. Mayhew, District Deputy Grand Master, presented a request to the M.W. Grand Master for

the Ceremony of Consecration and Constitution of the Lodge as a regularly Chartered Lodge, and the M.W. Grand Master signified his willingness to proceed with the Ceremony.

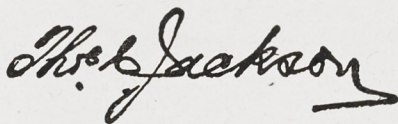
At this point, the Charter was read and the Grand Director of Ceremonies was requested to retire accompanied by the Ark Bearers, with the Deputy Grand Master as the bearer of the Vessel of Corn, the Senior Grand Warden as the bearer of the Vessel of Wine and the Junior Grand Warden as the Bearer of the Vessel of Oil, to bring the instruments of Consecration and in a most dignified ceremony, Woodworth Lodge No. 166 was Consecrated and Constituted.

The Symbols were then removed and W. Bro. Christopher Percival Brown was then installed in full form and the following Officers invested in their respective offices by M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan.

W. Bro. Christopher Percival Brown.....	Worshipful Master
Bro. Archibald T. Grant.....	Senior Warden
Bro. Eugene Borgstrom.....	Junior Warden
Bro. Charles M. Howell.....	Treasurer
Bro. John D. Sills.....	Secretary
Bro. R. Stewart Bulloch.....	Chaplain
Bro. Wilbur Wright.....	Senior Deacon
Bro. George Perrin.....	Junior Deacon
Bro. Charles Council.....	Senior Steward
Bro. J. M. Whyte.....	Junior Steward
Bro. Paul A. Barron.....	Director of Ceremonies
Bro. James Willox.....	Inner Guard
Bro. A. T. Elkington.....	Tyler

Woodworth Lodge No. 166 was then closed by the newly-installed Master and his Officers severally in the Master Mason, Fellow Craft and Entered Apprentice Degrees.

The evening concluded with a delightful informal banquet served to the members and visitors present.



Grand Secretary

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba,

A.F. & A.M.

CEREMONY OF CONSECRATION AND CONSTITUTION OF FRIENDSHIP LODGE

No. 165

Persuant to the notice given, the Officers of Grand Lodge met in the Parish Hall of St. Paul's Church in the Municipality of Fort Garry, Province of Manitoba, at 7.45 p.m. in the evening of Thursday, September 3rd, 1953 for the purpose of Consecration and Constitution of Friendship Lodge, Under Dispensation.

After the Lodge had been opened by the Worshipful Master of Friendship Lodge in the Master Mason Degree, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray, Grand Master and the Grand Lodge Officers were introduced and welcomed; the Grand Master being invited to the East where he assumed the gavel.

Accompanying the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray, were the following Grand Lodge Officers:

R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans (113)	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett (121)	Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. E. L. White (131)	as Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson (3)	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. Rev. H. L. Newton (19)	Grand Chaplain
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4)	Grand Historian
R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein (141)	G.D. of Ceremonies
V.W. Bro. Myrton Mills (160)	Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. A. R. Laird (145)	Junior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. H. F. Friesen (55)	Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. H. Purton (111)	Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Jas. Mowat (140)	Grand Pursuivant
V.W. Bro. Dave Mitchell (10)	as Grand Tyler

R.W. Bro. A. A. MacDonald, District Deputy Grand Master of the First Masonic District, presented a request to the Grand Master for the Ceremony of Consecration and Constitution of the Lodge as a regular Chartered Lodge, and the M.W. Grand Master signified his willingness to proceed with the Ceremony.

The Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson then read the Charter and the Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W. Bro. David Rothstein was asked to retire accompanied by the Ark Bearers with the Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans as bearer of the Vessel of Corn, the Senior Grand Warden, R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett as bearer of the Vessel of Wine and the Acting Junior Grand Warden, R.W. Bro. E. L. White as bearer of the Vessel of Oil, to bring in the Instruments of Consecration and in a most impressive manner, Friendship Lodge No. 165 was Consecrated and Constituted.

The Symbols were then removed, after which W. Bro. G. Wilson Rattray was installed in full form as the first Worshipful Master of the Lodge. W. Bro. Emerson J. Heaney was placed to act as the Immediate Past Master, and the following Officers were invested with the Jewels of their several Offices and duly installed:

W.Bro. George M. Farwell.....	Senior Warden
Bro. James Marshall.....	Junior Warden
Bro. E. Albin Hagborg.....	Treasurer
Bro. Howard C. Wolfe.....	Secretary
Bro. (Rev.) John C. Mathieson.....	Chaplain
Bro. Donald C. Pearson.....	Senior Deacon
Bro. E. Gordon Lowen.....	Junior Deacon
W.Bro. James W. Hall.....	Director of Ceremonies
Bro. John E. Rogers.....	Senior Steward
Bro. Charles Hollenberg.....	Junior Steward
Bro. Hugh B. Lennox.....	Inner Guard
Bro. Andrew Fox.....	Tyler

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray then addressed the gathering stating this was his first Official act after his Installation, and offered his good wishes to the Worshipful Master, Officers and members of the new Lodge, drawing their attention to the fact that the Lodge, situated as it was in a large and progressive suburb of the City of Winnipeg, should have an excellent future. He further stated, that providing the members always kept in mind and put into practice, the principles and high ideals of the Craft, they would be an enormous power for good in the Community.

W. Bro. G. Wilson Rattray and his Officers closed Friendship Lodge No. 165 severally in the Master Mason, Fellow Craft and Entered Apprentice Degrees in due form.

T. C. Jackson

Grand Secretary.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba,

A.F. & A.M.

CEREMONY OF INSTITUTION OF MARQUETTE LODGE, UNDER DISPENSATION

At the City of Portage la Prairie, in the Province of Manitoba, and within the Masonic Temple, Tupper Street South, Officers of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, met on Monday, October 26th, 1953 at 8.00 o'clock in the evening for the purpose of Instituting, or re-establishing Marquette Lodge.

Most Worshipful Brother Harry H. Gray, Grand Master, presided at this Ceremony and was assisted by the following Grand Lodge Officers, the Lodge being opened in due form in the Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason Degrees, respectively:

M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran.....	Immediate Past Grand Master
R.W. Bro. John R. C. Evans.....	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Robt. E. Emmett.....	Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. J. Ferguson Irwin.....	Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson.....	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. H. L. Newton.....	Grand Chaplain
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas.....	Grand Historian
R.W. Bro. Alex. E. Duff.....	as Grand Director of Ceremonies
V.W. Bro. Myrton Mills.....	Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. Alex. R. Laird.....	Junior Grand Deacon
R.W. Bro. H. S. Perdue.....	as Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Herbert Purton.....	Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Wm. Caley.....	Grand Organist
V.W. Bro. Jas. Mowat.....	Grand Pursuivant
Bro. W. Lang.....	as Grand Tyler

also present were:

M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni.....	Past Grand Master
M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole.....	Past Grand Master
M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe.....	Past Grand Master
R.W. Bro. A. A. MacDonald.....	D.D.G.M. (First District)
R.W. Bro. F. C. Davey.....	P.D.D.G.M.
R.W. Bro. R. W. Campbell.....	P.D.D.G.M.

The Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Harry H. Gray extended his congratulations to the brethren and called upon the Grand Chaplain to first of all ask the blessing of the G.A.O.T.U. on this special occasion.

The Grand Secretary was then called upon to read the Dispensation authorizing the Institution of Marquette Lodge.

The M.W. Grand Master after making further remarks with regard to the importance of the occasion requested the Grand Secretary to read the names of the brethren selected to govern the new lodge and after these were assembled, M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole gave the Obligation.

The Grand Master then invested each Officer with his Jewel of Office as follows:

W.Bro. Horace Foss Giffin.....	Worshipful Master
Bro. Earl Malcolm Brown.....	Senior Warden
Bro. Wm. Clayton Lowry.....	Junior Warden
Bro. W. R. M. Inglis.....	Treasurer
W.Bro. G. Gordon Grigg.....	Secretary
Bro. R. W. Lytle.....	Chaplain
Bro. Harry Owens.....	Senior Deacon
Bro. W. H. Bradley.....	Junior Deacon
Bro. A. Carver.....	Senior Steward
Bro. Robt. McDermid.....	Junior Steward
R.W. Bro. F. G. Garvin.....	Director of Ceremonies
Bro. N. H. Muir.....	Inner Guard
Bro. Norman Owens.....	Tyler

M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni was invested with the Jewel of the Immediate Past Master.

Grand Honors were given and the Grand Director of Ceremonies proclaimed the Lodge Instituted and its Officers invested, followed by the Benediction.

After being called on for some remarks, M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni gave a resumé of the early history which led to the amalgamation of Marquette Lodge No. 21 with Assiniboine Lodge No. 7 and continued by giving an outline of the events which have led to the present meeting, stating that if the prayer of the Petitioners be granted, that Marquette Lodge U.D. be given the number "21" which it held at the time of the amalgamation. The lodge would then rank the fourteenth in the Grand Jurisdiction of Manitoba.

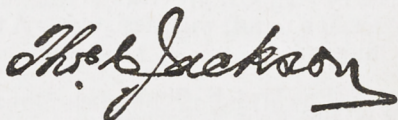
The Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans on behalf of Grand Lodge, presented the Master with the Book "The Master's Assistant" and expressed the hope that he would receive inspiration from its pages.

The Secretary read a telegram received from Fort Prince of Wales Lodge No. 161, Churchill, conveying congratulations and good wishes from the most Northerly Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction.

On behalf of his Officers and Members, the Master of Assiniboine Lodge No. 7 conveyed their best wishes and greetings for the occasion and amplified this by presenting the new Lodge with a cheque for Five Hundred Dollars, all of which was suitably acknowledged by W. Brother Giffin.

M.W. Brother Wm. Douglas in conveying his congratulations stated that when Marquette Lodge No. 21 amalgamated with Assiniboine Lodge No. 7 it did not surrender its Charter, searches for it, so far have been in vain and he suggested to the Worshipful Master that he set the brethren to work to search for something which is lost—viz: the Charter of Marquette Lodge No. 21, and perhaps it may be found in the Archives of Portage la Prairie.

Marquette Lodge U.D. then conducted its first meeting and the Lodge was closed in harmony, severally in the Master Mason, Fellow Craft and Entered Apprentice Degrees, at 9.30 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Chas. Jackson". The signature is written in dark ink and has a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Grand Secretary.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

CEREMONY OF INSTITUTION OF MENORAH LODGE UNDER DISPENSATION

At the Municipality of East Kildonan in Greater Winnipeg, Province of Manitoba, and within the Masonic Hall, 215 Melrose Avenue, the Officers of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, met on Wednesday, January 20th, 1954 at 8.00 o'clock in the evening for the purpose of Instituting a new Lodge to be known as MENORAH LODGE. Most Worshipful Brother Harry H. Gray, Grand Master, presided at this special occasion, and was assisted by the following Grand Lodge Officers:

M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe.....	as Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Robt. E. Emmett.....	Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. J. Ferguson Irwin.....	Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson.....	Grand Secretary
M.W. Bro. Harry B. Donnelly.....	as Grand Chaplain
R.W. Bro. David Rothstein.....	Grand Director of Ceremonies
V.W. Bro. Myrton Mills.....	Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. Alex. R. Laird.....	Junior Grand Deacon
R.W. Bro. Angus A. MacDonald.....	as Senior Grand Steward
R.W. Bro. John Norquay.....	as Junior Grand Steward
R.W. Bro. Alex. E. Duff.....	as Grand Pursuivant
W.Bro. Morris Rosenstock.....	as Grand Tyler

There were also present:

M.W. Bro. Wm. D. Lawrence, P.G.M.

R.W. Bro. Geo. R. Mackay, P.D.D.G.M.

The Grand Master called on the Grand Secretary to read the Dispensation of authority, after which the Lodge was opened severally in the Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason Degrees. The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray then announced the purpose of the meeting,

and requested the Grand Secretary to read the names of the brethren who had been selected to govern Menorah Lodge under Dispensation, as follows:

W. Bro. H Bookhalter.....	Worshipful Master
Bro. H. Stein.....	Senior Warden
Bro. J. M. Knelman.....	Junior Warden
Bro. T. Tadman.....	Treasurer
Bro. M. H. Tatelman.....	Secretary
W.Bro. B. B. Claman.....	Chaplain
Bro. M. Oretzky.....	Senior Deacon
Bro. M. Jeroff.....	Junior Deacon
W.Bro. J. Lyons.....	Director of Ceremonies
Bro. N. Shuckett.....	Senior Steward
Bro. D. Guttman.....	Junior Steward
W.Bro. J. Walkin.....	Organist
Bro. Art. Sayles.....	Inner Guard
Bro. I. Katz.....	Tyler

The brethren took their places before the Altar and were obligated by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray, Grand Master, who also invested them with the Jewel of their Office, finally being conducted to their stations in the Lodge by the Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W. Bro. David Rothstein.

The Charge to the Wardens was delivered by M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe Past Grand Master, and the Charge to the brethren by R.W. Bro. Alex. A. Duff, District Deputy Grand Master of the Twelfth Masonic District.

The Grand Master then congratulated the brethren on the formation of the Lodge, and also on their selection of Officers to govern the Lodge during the probationary period. He also particularly wished to compliment them on their selection of the name "MENORAH" for their Lodge all felt those responsible for making such a choice could be relied upon to properly instruct those coming to them in search of "Light."

Grand Honors were then given, and the Grand Director of Ceremonies proclaimed the Lodge Instituted and its Officers invested; this was followed by the Benediction.

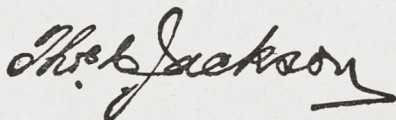
The M.W. Grand Master said that there was nothing in the Ceremonial about a newly Instituted Lodge having to fill the Office of Immediate Past Master, but he was very pleased that the brethren had chosen W. Bro. Isaac Zipursky to occupy the Chair of Immediate Past Master, and added, that no doubt the new Lodge would benefit greatly from his advice.

At this time also, the M.W. Grand Master expressed his pleasure in the duty he was now going to perform—that of presenting W. Bro. Isaac Zipursky with his Commission as the recently appointed Representative of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales. In replying, W. Bro. Zipursky said he was delighted to receive this appointment as one half of his family were resident in New South Wales, and he hoped sometime in the future he would be able to visit there.

The M.W. Grand Master then placed W. Bro. H. Bookhalter in the Chair and handed him the Gavel of Authority with his best wishes for success.

W. Bro. Bookhalter in his reply stated that he, along with his Officers and members, fully realized the responsibility which had been placed upon them and he wished to express their deep appreciation to the Board of General Purposes for giving their recommendation approval; to the M.W. Grand Master for granting them the Dispensation; and finally for the very impressive Ceremony of Institution; closing with a prayer to the G.A.O.T.U. for the continued improvement in health of our Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray.

The Officers of Grand Lodge then retired, and the new Officers of Menorah Lodge closed the Lodge severally, in the Master Mason, Fellow Craft and Entered Apprentice Degrees.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Chas. Jackson". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the title "Grand Secretary".

Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

1954

SEVENTY-NINTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

In the City of Winnipeg, in the Fort Garry Hotel, the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, met in the Seventy-ninth Annual Communication.

Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon of June 2nd by the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Harry Haggart Gray; the invocation being given by the Acting Grand Chaplain, R.W. Brother R. Fletcher Argue:

PRESENT

M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray (141), Winnipeg	Grand Master
R.W. Bro. John R. C. Evans (113), Brandon	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Robt. E. Emmett (121), St. James	Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. J. Ferguson Irwin (24), Neepawa	Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4), Winnipeg	Grand Treasurer
R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson (3), Winnipeg	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. R. Fletcher Argue (25), Winnipeg	as Grand Chaplain
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), Winnipeg	Grand Historian
R.W. Bro. David Rothstein (141), Winnipeg	G.D. of Ceremonies
M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly (138), St. Vital	Grand Librarian
V.W. Bro. Myrton Mills (160), Starbuck	Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. Alex. R. Laird (145), St. James	Junior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. H. F. Friesen (55), Gretna	Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Herbert Purton (111), Winnipeg	Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Wm. Caley (68), Dauphin	Grand Organist
V.W. Bro. Jas. Mowat (140), Winnipeg	Grand Pursuivant
V.W. Bro. Vere E. G. Little (84), Hamiota	Grand Tyler
R.W. Bro. A. A. MacDonald (4) Fort Garry	D.D.G.M. 1st Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Benjamin Angus (133) McCreary	D.D.G.M. 2nd Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. A. Sundell (63) Holland	D.D.G.M. 3rd Masonic District
R.W. Bro. N. H. Ashley (30) Manitou	D.D.G.M. 4th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. H. M. Mayhew (106) Strathclair	D.D.G.M. 5th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. R. H. Gibson (52) Hartney	D.D.G.M. 6th Masonic District

R.W. Bro. Clarence Moore (43)	
Virden.....	D.D.G.M. 7th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. W. J. Hamblin (8)	
Morris.....	D.D.G.M. 8th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. E. Burnett (126)	
Minitonas.....	D.D.G.M. 9th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. A. Longbottom (112)	
Transcona.....	D.D.G.M. 10th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Alex. E. Duff (130)	
Winnipeg.....	D.D.G.M. 12th Masonic District

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M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1)
 M.W. Bro. Norman J. Black (3)
 M.W. Bro. William Douglas (4)
 M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole (7)
 M.W. Bro. Stanley H. Fahrni (7)
 M.W. Bro. Samuel Burland (12)
 M.W. Bro. Wm. D. Lawrence (25)
 M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran (27)
 M.W. Bro. Jas. S. MacEwing (51)
 M.W. Bro. Walter C. McDonald (70)
 M.W. Bro. E. T. Greenway (71)
 M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods (90)
 M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe (93)
 M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt (130)
 M.W. Bro. Harry B. Donnelly (138)
 M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan (158)

PRINCE RUPERT'S LODGE NO. 1

Bro. Wm. Throp.....	S.W.	M.W. Bro. H. Coddington
		V.W. Bro. J. D. McKinlay
		V.W. Bro. W. K. Mulock
		W. Bro. J. M. Brown
		W. Bro. S. Long
		W. Bro. M. M. McElheran
		W. Bro. A. J. Ryckman

LISGAR LODGE No. 2

W. Bro. R. Stewart.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. R. S. Montgomery
		R.W. Bro. J. Norquay
		V.W. Bro. W. H. Shead
		W. Bro. G. D. Goodwin
		W. Bro. G. L. McQueen

ANCIENT LANDMARK LODGE NO. 3

W. Bro. T. J. F. Reynolds.....	W.M.	M.W. Bro. N. J. Black
Bro. C. J. Scott.....	S.W.	R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant
Bro. P. A. Bull.....	J. W.	R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson
		W. Bro. F. Adam
		W. Bro. C. S. Coates
		W. Bro. P. G. Hawkins
		W. Bro. E. W. Kemp
		W. Bro. W. A. Little
		W. Bro. S. J. Sametz
		W. Bro. W. J. Wenham

ST. JOHN'S LODGE NO. 4

W. Bro. J. A. Cooney.....	W.M.	M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas
Bro. W. L. Milne.....	S.W.	R.W. Bro. A. G. Cowan
Bro. R. Robertson.....	J.W.	R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy
		R.W. Bro. A. A. McDonald
		R.W. Bro. A. S. McCann
		R.W. Bro. W. Percy White
		V.W. Bro. T. L. Dodsworth
		W. Bro. C. V. Antenbring
		W. Bro. E. H. Brown
		W. Bro. T. A. Connell
		W. Bro. E. L. Jukes
		W. Bro. C. S. Landon
		W. Bro. C. E. Mansell
		W. Bro. B. S. Parker
		W. Bro. P. C. Pratt
		W. Bro. G. Reed
		W. Bro. J. W. Tackaberry

EMERSON LODGE No. 6

W. Bro. A. H. Milne.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. J. D. Lloyd
Bro. F. R. Dowswell.....	S.W.	R.W. Bro. G. J. Long
Bro. L. C. Breckon.....	J.W.	R.W. Bro. A. Moffatt
		W. Bro. K. C. R. Coulter
		W. Bro. C. H. Depew
		W. Bro. R. H. J. Long
		W. Bro. J. C. Reece
		W. Bro. T. W. Shields
		W. Bro. W. H. Storms
		W. Bro. C. C. Thomson

ASSINIBOINE LODGE No. 7

W. Bro. H. J. Lamoureux.....	W.M.	M.W. Bro. C. E. Cole
Bro. A. L. Lamont.....	S.W.	M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni
		R.W. Bro. S. H. Prowse
		V.W. Bro. G. R. Dewar
		V.W. Bro. J. C. Hyde
		V.W. Bro. D. W. Smith
		W. Bro. W. S. Allison
		W. Bro. W. Dalzell
		W. Bro. H. F. Giffin
		W. Bro. R. A. Price

KING SOLOMON LODGE No. 8

W. Bro. H. R. Clow.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. W. J. Hamblin
Bro. R. Forrest.....	S.W.	R.W. Bro. O. T. Johnson
		R.W. Bro. Wm. Moore
		W. Bro. C. C. Dixon

NORTHERN LIGHT LODGE No. 10

W. Bro. C. G. Harris.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. R. W. Campbell
Bro. R. Collier.....	J.W.	V.W. Bro. S. D. Cruden
		V.W. Bro. D. Mitchell
		W. Bro. A. P. Crossin
		W. Bro. G. C. Galbraith
		W. Bro. S. C. Guest
		W. Bro. W. R. Morrison
		W. Bro. G. H. Pratt
		W. Bro. C. S. Williams

GLADSTONE LODGE No. 11

W. Bro. J. M. Ferguson.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor
Bro. D. A. Cathcart.....	S.W.	W. Bro. R. M. Cawley
Bro. B. Freeborn.....	J.W.	W. Bro. S. C. Howard
		W. Bro. F. R. Jarvis
		W. Bro. S. Sorenson
		W. Bro. C. M. Wilson

STONEWALL LODGE No. 12

W. Bro. J. W. Whitehead.....	W.M.	M.W. Bro. S. Burland
Bro. A. S. Matthewson.....	S.W.	R.W. Bro. W. H. French
		W. Bro. H. W. Elwell
		W. Bro. H. A. Good
		W. Bro. M. R. Good
		W. Bro. W. J. Howe
		W. Bro. H. K. Hutson
		W. Bro. J. C. Slater
		W. Bro. H. M. Weir

MORDEN LODGE No. 13

W. Bro. F. S. Westwood.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. G. H. Bray
Bro. M. W. Carruthers.....	S.W.	R.W. Bro. W. R. Leslie
		V.W. Bro. W. J. Breakey
		W. Bro. W. L. Jessiman
		W. Bro. F. W. Milhausen

PRINCE OF WALES LODGE No. 14

W. Bro. J. Kosmolak.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. J. Fleming
Bro. A. S. Thoms.....	S.W.	W. Bro. C. E. Meadows
		W. Bro. A. Murray

CORINTHIAN LODGE No. 15

W. Bro. L. E. Thompson.....	W.M.	W. Bro. W. N. Thompson
Bro. H. Northam.....	J.W.	

BRANDON LODGE No. 19

W. Bro. R. G. Crookshank.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. J. W. Broatch
Bro. F. H. Gibson.....	S.W.	V.W. Bro. F. C. Courtice
Bro. F. P. McLeary.....	J.W.	W. Bro. H. W. Halverson
		W. Bro. J. J. Wall

NEEPAWA LODGE No. 24

W. Bro. J. H. McLaren.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. J. F. Irwin
Bro. G. M. Hallen.....	J.W.	W. Bro. A. Clark
		W. Bro. W. K. Clyde
		W. Bro. J. A. Davidson
		W. Bro. D. E. Pollock

IONIC LODGE NO. 25

W. Bro. R. T. Comrie.....	W.M.	M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence
Bro. D. G. Florence.....	S.W.	R.W. Bro. R. F. Argue
		V.W. Bro. E. T. Leech
		W. Bro. H. B. Dimock
		W. Bro. E. L. Hardie
		W. Bro. Jas. Perry
		W. Bro. B. R. Webb

GLENWOOD LODGE No. 27

W. Bro. W. P. Groves.....	W.M.	M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran
Bro. P. Scott.....	S.W.	V.W. Bro. C. L. Anderson
		W. Bro. H. J. Turner

CARBERRY LODGE No. 29

W. Bro. A. E. Harburn.....	W.M.	R. W. Bro. B. W. Caldwell
		W. Bro. E. A. Berry
		W. Bro. E. Lucas
		W. Bro. A. L. MacKay
		W. Bro. C. P. Rogers
		W. Bro. W. J. Witherspoon

MANITOU LODGE No. 30

Bro. W. H. Bowler.....	S.W.	R.W. Bro. N. H. Ashley
		W. Bro. W. H. McKinney

DORIC LODGE No. 36

W. Bro. C. F. McCullagh.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. E. I. Dow
		W. Bro. J. D. Houston
		W. Bro. J. W. McLaughlin

BIRTLE LODGE No. 39

W. Bro. Geo. Irving

DELORAINÉ LODGE No. 40

W. Bro. W. R. Conner.....	W.M.	W. Bro. H. H. Barnes
		W. Bro. F. Green

LEBANON LODGE No. 43

W. Bro. N. A. Mooney.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. C. Moore
Bro. A. Paul.....	S.W.	W. Bro. A. A. Megaffin
Bro. F. France.....	J.W.	W. Bro. E. H. Winkler

OAK LAKE LODGE No. 44

GLENBORO LODGE No. 48

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Bro. G. L. Hopkins.....	S.W.	
Bro. C. A. Hall.....	J.W.	

TEMPLE LODGE No. 49

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Bro. J. A. Mitchell.....	S.W.	R.W. Bro. M. E. MacKinnon
Bro. K. H. Anderson.....	J.W.	W. Bro. H. I. Collins
		W. Bro. R. H. Harvey
		W. Bro. M. Kirshner
		W. Bro. D. S. Naylor

KILLARNEY LODGE No. 50

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Bro. C. H. Baker.....	S.W.

TREHERNE LODGE No. 51

Bro. R. H. Truesdale.....	S.W.	M.W. Bro. J. S. MacEwing
Bro. R. F. Shearer.....	J.W.	W. Bro. J. Anderson
		W. Bro. H. S. Brooking
		W. Bro. W. J. Robinson
		W. Bro. J. L. Stanton
		W. Bro. L. E. Staples
		W. Bro. J. G. Wiechman

HARTNEY LODGE No. 52

W. Bro. R. A. Gibson.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. R. H. Gibson
Bro. A. T. Keeler.....	S.W.	R.W. Bro. G. J. Landreth
Bro. G. E. White.....	J.W.	

ORIENTAL LODGE No. 54

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Bro. F. G. Drier.....	S.W.	W. Bro. J. G. Cobb
		W. Bro. C. E. Cornish

EAST STAR LODGE No. 55

W. Bro. J. E. Kehler.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. A. R. Dick
		R.W. Bro. G. E. Keyes
		R.W. Bro. M. A. Nitikman
		V.W. Bro. H. F. Friesen
		W. Bro. P. Schuppert
		W. Bro. J. W. Simpson

RUSSELL LODGE No. 62

W. Bro. C. R. Beswatherick

HOLLAND LODGE No. 63

W. Bro. C. J. Hutchings.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. J. A. Sundell
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COMPOSITE LODGE No. 64

R.W. Bro. A. D. Blair
W. Bro. G. A. Yeomans

WAWANESA LODGE No. 67

W. Bro. M. E. McKellar.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. C. L. Atkinson
		R.W. Bro. J. W. Johnston

VERMILLION LODGE No. 68

W. Bro. B. B. Anderson.....	W.M.	V.W. Bro. Wm. Caley
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SHILOH LODGE No. 70

W. Bro. C. L. Cameron.....	W.M.	M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald
Bro. R. I. Stocks.....	S.W.	R.W. Bro. W. E. Glover
Bro. W. N. Hodgson.....	J.W.	W. Bro. A. Kelly
		W. Bro. R. A. McKenzie
		W. Bro. K. G. Stocks

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Bro. G. A. Custance.....	S.W.	R.W. Bro. D. A. McKay
		W. Bro. J. A. Macartney
		W. Bro. G. S. Mutch

ELKHORN LODGE No. 74

W. Bro. B. Ferris.....	W.M.
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GOTHIC LODGE No. 75

W. Bro. G. M. Hay.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. H. F. Johnson
		R.W. Bro. R. J. Wallace
		W. Bro. C. Freeborn
		W. Bro. G. R. Hay
		W. Bro. A. Johnston
		W. Bro. E. L. Westman

NAPINKA LODGE No. 77

CYPRESS LODGE No. 82

W. Bro. G. R. Holmes
W. Bro. Geo. Rogers
W. Bro. W. J. Young

HAMIOTA LODGE No. 84

W. Bro. R. Watt.....	W.M.	V.W. Bro. V. E. G. Little
Bro. A. Cummings.....	S.W.	

ELGIN LODGE No. 86

W. Bro. J. W. Hammond.....	W.M.
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Bro. F. Dilworth.....	J.W.	R.W. Bro. H. A. McLeod
		W. Bro. A. H. Macdonald
		W. Bro. J. Wilson

MIDLOTHIAN LODGE No. 90

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Bro. F. Stockford.....	S.W.	R.W. Bro. W. N. Cameron
		R.W. Bro. A. C. Orchard
		W. Bro. H. Stuart

SHOAL LAKE LODGE No. 92

Bro. W. Davidowski.....	S.W.	W. Bro. N. Kaufman
		W. Bro. B. H. Manning

KING EDWARD LODGE No. 93

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Bro. W. K. Worton.....	S.W.	R.W. Bro. J. J. Bannerman
Bro. J. H. Restall.....	J.W.	R.W. Bro. F. C. Davey
		V.W. Bro. R. A. Gillespie
		W. Bro. E. E. Burden
		W. Bro. W. H. McPherson
		W. Bro. S. J. Mitchell
		W. Bro. A. E. Ritchie
		W. Bro. L. J. Turner
		W. Bro. E. I. Waller

HIRAM LODGE No. 94

Bro. R. Dalby.....	S.W.	W. Bro. Allan Doak
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ROBBIE BURNS LODGE No. 100

BINSARTH LODGE No. 101

Bro. J. Warr.....	S.W.
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MINIOTA LODGE No. 102

R.W. Bro. R. Peel

CRESCENT LODGE No. 103

R.W. Bro. E. A. Baragar
W. Bro. W. C. Ross
W. Bro. S. W. Woods

RESTON LODGE No. 104

W. Bro. F. C. McMurchy.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. J. Cuthill
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		R.W. Bro. W. Brown
		W. Bro. J. I. Bulloch
		W. Bro. C. A. Caldwell
		W. Bro. R. F. Shippam

PRINCE ARTHUR LODGE No. 105

W. Bro. R. H. J. Loat.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. J. Livesey
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R.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson
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		W. Bro. Wm. Dickson
		W. Bro. J. A. Mills

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 W. Bro. K. M. G. Couch
 W. Bro. O. W. Couch

KILWINNING LODGE No. 110

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		W. Bro. T. S. Copland
		W. Bro. J. Hamilton
		W. Bro. J. Harvey
		W. Bro. R. Holms
		W. Bro. C. Ross
		W. Bro. R. Sharp
		W. Bro. A. C. Slessor
		W. Bro. J. Torbet

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 W. Bro. H. Genaske
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TWEED LODGE No. 113

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Bro. A. MacMillan.....	J.W.	R.W. Bro. F. R. Willmott
		R.W. Bro. H. M. Kerr
		R.W. Bro. H. S. Perdue
		R.W. Bro. W. A. Prugh
		V.W. Bro. R. H. Cross
		W. Bro. J. M. Donovan
		W. Bro. R. K. Forbes
		W. Bro. P. Hammonds

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		V.W. Bro. G. G. White
		W. Bro. W. S. Archibald
		W. Bro. O. E. Boyle
		W. Bro. J. W. Hall
		W. Bro. N. M. Hall
		W. Bro. O. E. MacQuoid

RIVERS LODGE No. 115

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W. Bro. J. J. Titus.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. G. W. Wells
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		W. Bro. S. L. Reidle
		W. Bro. J. J. Wells

STRATHCONA LODGE No. 117

R.W. Bro. D. MacDonald
W. Bro. R. D. Saunders

MOUND LODGE No. 118

NORWOOD LODGE No. 119

W. Bro. E. Craven.....W.M.
Bro. W. J. Thorogood.....S.W.

W. Bro. W. S. Leture
W. Bro. J. C. MacDonald
W. Bro. W. M. Summers
W. Bro. J. W. Taylor

PENZA LODGE No. 120

W. Bro. Frank Casper.....W.M.
Bro. J. P. Bingham.....S.W.

R.W. Bro. W. W. Casson
V.W. Bro. H. Spence
W. Bro. H. W. Davidson
W. Bro. A. G. Froom
W. Bro. H. H. Witherspoon
W. Bro. R. W. Witty

ST. JAMES LODGE No. 121

W. Bro. R. G. Turnbull.....W.M.
Bro. E. Murray.....S.W.
Bro. T. C. MacGregor.....J.W.

R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett
V.W. Bro. E. S. Reeves
W. Bro. L. E. Ashby
W. Bro. S. C. Bagley
W. Bro. A. L. Large
W. Bro. W. S. Marley
W. Bro. J. K. Reid
W. Bro. G. W. Souter
W. Bro. D. Stringer
W. Bro. R. Wood
W. Bro. J. Wylie

ROBLIN LODGE No. 122

W. Bro. J. W. S. Haines.....W.M.

R.W. Bro. Geo. Kelso

TRANSCONA LODGE No. 123

W. Bro. H. J. MacKay.....W.M.
Bro. A. Bowers.....S.W.
Bro. M. Fedeluk.....J.W.

R.W. Bro. M. MacKay
W. Bro. E. E. Buckley
W. Bro. R. I. Esselmont
W. Bro. A. W. Harvey
W. Bro. E. Lewis
W. Bro. T. F. Wallace

THE PAS LODGE No. 124

W. Bro. L. G. Williams.....W.M.

PATRICIA LODGE No. 125

W. Bro. W. G. Last.....W.M.

W. Bro. A. B. Campbell
W. Bro. P. R. Jeske

FAVEL LODGE No. 126

R.W. Bro. J. E. Burnett

EMPIRE LODGE No. 127

W. Bro. H. C. Paulley.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. Jas Wardrope
Bro. H. C. Hedgecock.....	S.W.	W. Bro. A. D. Adamson
Bro. L. Willstrop.....	J.W.	W. Bro. D. B. Hanna
		W. Bro. W. Lamb
		W. Bro. J. McGowan
		W. Bro. A. Sinclair
		W. Bro. F. Williamson
		W. Bro. J. W. Wyatt

VICTORY LODGE No. 128

R.W. Bro. Dan. Hawe

FORT GARRY LODGE No. 130

W. Bro. E. McPherson.....	W.M.	M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt
		R.W. Bro. A. E. Duff
		R.W. Bro. G. P. Fairbairn
		V.W. Bro. W. D. G. Runions
		W. Bro. T. H. Clark
		W. Bro. T. Gilchrist
		W. Bro. C. H. P. Killick
		W. Bro. H. H. Hawker
		W. Bro. M. G. McKenzie
		W. Bro. R. G. Scott

KILDONAN LODGE No. 131

W. Bro. R. Weatherston.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. E. L. White
		W. Bro. A. H. Brotheridge
		W. Bro. R. C. Kirk
		W. Bro. W. S. Page
		W. Bro. J. Rennie
		W. Bro. Wm. Thomson

SPRAGUE LODGE No. 132

Bro. J. H. Bacon.....	J.W.	W. Bro. T. McCarthy
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McCREARY LODGE No. 133

W. Bro. J. E. Becker.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. Ben. Angus
Bro. R. T. Robinson.....	S.W.	R.W. Bro. T. E. Squire
Bro. G. E. Greentree.....	J.W.	

STONY MOUNTAIN LODGE No. 134

W. Bro. H. A. Taylor.....	W.M.	W. Bro. C. H. French
Bro. G. F. Mackie.....	S.W.	W. Bro. E. R. R. Mills
		W. Bro. J. C. Wishart

CAPITOL LODGE No. 136

W. Bro. F. J. Robertson.....	W.M.	V.W. Bro. H. W. Cooper
Bro. R. A. Ward.....	S.W.	W. Bro. J. H. Bowack
Bro. A. S. Bromley.....	J.W.	W. Bro. J. P. Edgar
		W. Bro. H. A. Pascoe
		W. Bro. T. Wilson

LORD SELKIRK LODGE No. 137

W. Bro. J. Todd.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. Matt. Ferguson
		R.W. Bro. G. R. Mackay
		W. Bro. W. Hutchinson
		W. Bro. D. J. Linney

WINDSOR LODGE No. 138

W. Bro. H. Pilling.....	W.M.	M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly
Bro. D. Johnston.....	J.W.	R.W. Bro. D. Griffith
		V.W. Bro. J. B. McClure
		W. Bro. A. J. Horton
		W. Bro. P. T. Houston
		W. Bro. J. F. Orr
		W. Bro. G. S. Marshall
		W. Bro. W. E. Munn
		W. Bro. C. A. B. Whiting
		W. Bro. G. L. Wilson

BEAVER LODGE No. 139

W. Bro. D. M. Sclanders.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. F. M. Bastin
Bro. H. Rhodes.....	S.W.	R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat
Bro. E. C. Bruzell.....	J.W.	R.W. Bro. L. C. Welsh
		V.W. Bro. S. W. Robertson
		W. Bro. D. L. Cameron
		W. Bro. A. W. Hicks
		W. Bro. G. M. Lardner
		W. Bro. H. H. Roberts
		W. Bro. H. S. J. Rogers

MERIDIAN LODGE No. 140

W. Bro. J. M. E. Rewcastle.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. W. D. Harper
Bro. A. G. MacKenzie.....	J.W.	R.W. Bro. D. Milliken
		V.W. Bro. Jas. Mowat
		W. Bro. A. C. Cabel
		W. Bro. A. R. Cossar
		W. Bro. J. C. Dick
		W. Bro. H. H. Lowe
		W. Bro. J. M. Ross
		W. Bro. L. C. Woods
		W. Bro. Mark Woods

TUSCAN LODGE No. 141

W. Bro. S. H. Allan.....	W.M.	M.W. Bro. H. H. Gray
Bro. D. Wolk.....	S.W.	R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein
Bro. C. Krupp.....	J.W.	V.W. Bro. N. Rothstein
		W. Bro. J. J. Allen
		W. Bro. E. L. Barr
		W. Bro. J. E. Biggerstaffe
		W. Bro. W. J. Harris
		W. Bro. N. C. Law
		W. Bro. S. Rosenblat

HARMONY LODGE No. 142

MOUNT SINAI LODGE No. 143

W. Bro. L. Fineman.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green
Bro. I. C. Schacter.....	S.W.	V.W. Bro. I. Guttman
Bro. L. Rubin.....	J.W.	W. Bro. A. J. Blond
		W. Bro. H. Bookhalter
		W. Bro. E. M. Finkleman
		W. Bro. J. Fred
		W. Bro. S. Golden
		W. Bro. A. P. Guttman
		W. Bro. H. Guttman
		W. Bro. A. Hecht
		W. Bro. W. Leonoff
		W. Bro. J. M. Lyons
		W. Bro. J. L. Rill
		W. Bro. M. Rosenstock
		W. Bro. R. A. Seipp
		W. Bro. J. Serebrin
		W. Bro. M. Waldman
		W. Bro. J. Zeal
		W. Bro. I. Zipursky

FORT OSBORNE LODGE No. 144

W. Bro. C. F. Kilpatrick.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. J. R. Glenn
Bro. R. F. Smith.....	S.W.	W. Bro. E. D. Chable
		W. Bro. A. Laidlaw
		W. Bro. J. A. Stebbing
		W. Bro. D. N. Stewart

STURGEON CREEK LODGE No. 145

Bro. A. L. Bessey.....	S.W.	V.W. Bro. A. R. Laird
Bro. E. W. Boyd.....	J.W.	

FIDELITY LODGE No. 146

Bro. J. E. Dack.....	S.W.	V.W. Bro. F. H. Williams
		W. Bro. M. H. Acheson
		W. Bro. A. H. W. Cook
		W. Bro. R. H. Gregory
		W. Bro. W. W. Pile
		W. Bro. S. C. Swanton

JUBILEE LODGE No. 147

SEVEN OAKS LODGE No. 148

W. Bro. W. R. Munroe.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. A. C. Pritchard
Bro. W. R. Hayward.....	S.W.	W. Bro. M. Andrew
		W. Bro. J. J. Douglas
		W. Bro. R. J. Matthewson
		W. Bro. Geo. Milne
		W. Bro. W. J. T. Pearce
		W. Bro. T. Sly
		W. Bro. J. Woodward

CARTWRIGHT LODGE No. 150

W. Bro. H. J. McKay.....	W.M.
Bro. R. D. McMillan.....	S.W.
Bro. R. N. McLennan.....	J.W.

THE DORMER LODGE No. 151

W. Bro. A. C. Keel
W. Bro. A. E. Longstaffe
W. Bro. C. H. Wells

FOXWARREN LODGE No. 152

FLIN FLON LODGE No. 153

W. Bro. M. G. Lang.....W.M.

PINE FALLS LODGE No. 154

W. Bro. L. E. Seebach.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. Wm. Bird
Bro. D. Brewster.....	S.W.	W. Bro. G. A. Stewart
Bro. K. I. Johnson.....	J.W.	

CARMAN LODGE No. 155

R.W. Bro. J. Millroy
W. Bro. A. Hardy
W. Bro. A. W. Miller
W. Bro. H. E. Shewfelt

MANITOUWAPA LODGE No. 156

W. Bro. S. Schwartz.....	W.M.	R.W. Bro. D. Ferguson
Bro. A. Sangren.....	S.W.	W. Bro. W. A. L. Armstrong
		W. Bro. D. McFadyen
		W. Bro. A. J. Walkin

RICE LAKE LODGE No. 157

R.W. Bro. F. R. Sutton
W. Bro. G. H. Lucas

FENWICK LODGE No. 158

W. Bro. H. N. Udell.....	W.M.	M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan
Bro. W. G. Mitrou.....	J.W.	W. Bro. W. A. Wyborn

NEWDALE LODGE No. 159

W. Bro. S. H. Dayton
W. Bro. J. M. Lavery
W. Bro. J. M. Sinclair

STARBUCK LODGE No. 160

W. Bro. W. L. Baldwin.....W.M. V.W. Bro. M. Mills
Bro. F. A. Owens.....S.W.

FORT PRINCE OF WALES LODGE No. 161

W. Bro. N. Greasley.....W.M. W. Bro. C. W. Brawley

ASHLAR LODGE No. 162

W. Bro. J. M. Taylor.....W.M. W. Bro. A. E. Dagg

CHARLESWOOD LODGE No. 163

W. Bro. H. R. Sanderson.....W.M.	W. Bro. W. J. Evers
	W. Bro. J. S. Reynolds

HARRY WOODS LODGE No. 164

W. Bro. G. Paulson.....W.M.	W. Bro. G. J. Breckman
	W. Bro. W. C. Haldorson

FRIENDSHIP LODGE No. 165

W. Bro. G. M. Farwell.....W.M.	W. Bro. E. J. Heaney
Bro. J. A. Marshall.....S.W.	W. Bro. G. W. Rattray
Bro. D. G. Pearson.....J.W.	W. Bro. G. F. Smith

WOODWORTH LODGE No. 166

W. Bro. A. T. Grant.....W.M.
Bro. E. Borgstrom.....S.W.

Honorary Members

M.W. Bro. Geo. F. Ellis, P.G.M., Alta.
 M.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, Hon. P.G.M. and G.S., Sask.
 M.W. Bro. Geo. W. Christie, P.G.M., Minn.
 M.W. Bro. L. H. Colson, P.G.M., Minn.
 M.W. Bro. C. C. Colton, P.G.M., Minn.
 M.W. Bro. C. L. Jacobson, P.G.M., Mont.
 R.W. Bro. C. M. Norton, Director, Masonic Service, Minn.
 M.W. Bro. E. J. Franta, P.G.M., N.D.
 M.W. Bro. C. M. Pollock, P.G.M., N.D.
 M.W. Bro. H. S. Pond, P.G.M. and G.S., N.D.
 M.W. Bro. J. A. Stormon, P.G.M., N.D.
 M.W. Bro. R. R. Twamley, P.G.M., S.D.

Guests

R.W. Bro. Bishop W. L. Wright, D.G.M., Ontario
 M.W. Bro. Wm. H. Jackson, G.M., Alta.
 M.W. Bro. R. L. Hanbidge, G.M., Sask.
 M.W. Bro. E. J. Johnson, P.G.M., Minn.
 M.W. Bro. Leroy E. Matson, G.M., Minn.
 R.W. Bro. W. L. Hillyer, D.G.M., Minn.
 W. Bro. D. E. Palmer, Asst. G.S., Minn.
 M.W. Bro. J. E. Patterson, G.M., Montana
 M.W. Bro. B. F. Gaither, P.G.M. and G.S., Montana
 M.W. Bro. G. C. Hulett, P.G.M., N.D.
 M.W. Bro. Hugh M. Reid, G.M., Virginia

Visitors

R.W. Bro. J. Candline, Sask.
 V.W. Bro. G. R. Paxman, N.D.
 W. Bro. J. N. McCullough, Eng.
 W. Bro. I. W. Irgen, Minn.
 Bro. M. H. Laing, Ont.
 Bro. D. Gilmour, Sask.
 Bro. R. C. Brooks, Calif.
 Bro. J. M. Rich, Minn.

All Master Masons wishing to enter Grand Lodge were then admitted, and assigned to special seating accommodation provided for them.

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray, welcomed all present and expressed the hope that all would derive profit and pleasure from the Communication.

ADOPTING REGULATIONS

It was moved by M.W. Brother F. H. Blythe (93), seconded by M.W. Brother G. A. McMorran (27) that the Agenda and Regulations for conducting the Sessions of Grand Lodge, as printed, be adopted, subject to the wishes of the M.W. Grand Master. Carried.

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray requested that all brethren entering or leaving the Grand Lodge Room, give the required sign at the Altar and enter or leave only between items of business. He also reminded the brethren that in accordance with Section 24 of our Constitution all motions were to be written out on forms provided for this purpose, to be found with the Senior and Junior Grand Wardens.

READING OF MINUTES

M.W. Brother H. Coddington (1) moved, seconded by R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4), that the Minutes of the last Annual Communication, and of the Special Communications of Grand Lodge as printed in the Proceedings, be taken as read and confirmed. Carried.

The Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3) read the Minutes of the Special Communication of Grand Lodge held August 19th, 1953, in the Blue Room of the Masonic Temple, Winnipeg and which was called for the purpose of installing the Grand Master Elect, R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray. There appeared to be no errors or omissions and the Minutes were approved as read.

REPORT OF NOMINATIONS

The Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3) reported the following nominations had been received for the Offices of Grand Lodge, and for the Board of General Pur-

poses. He moved that the report be received, seconded by M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93). Carried.

Grand Master:

R.W. Bro. John R. C. Evans, Tweed Lodge No. 113

Deputy Grand Master:

R.W. Bro. Robert Eric Emmett, St. James Lodge No. 121

Senior Grand Warden:

R.W. Bro. J. Ferguson Irwin, Neepawa Lodge No. 24

Junior Grand Warden:

R.W. Bro. John Norquay, Lisgar Lodge No. 2

R.W. Bro. David Rothstein, Tuscan Lodge No. 141

Grand Treasurer:

R.W. Bro. W. Percy White, St. John's Lodge No. 4

Grand Secretary:

R.W. Bro. Thomas C. Jackson, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3

Grand Chaplain:

W. Bro. Joseph E. Cooper, Swan Lake Lodge No. 109

Grand Historian:

M.W. Bro. William Douglas, St. John's Lodge No. 4

Grand Director of Ceremonies:

R.W. Bro. Charles A. Midwinter, Acacia Lodge No. 111

V.W. Bro. Wesley D. G. Runions, Fort Garry Lodge No. 130

Grand Librarian:

M.W. Bro. Harry B. Donnelly, Windsor Lodge No. 138

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

W. Bro. B. Stuart Parker, St. John's Lodge No. 4

R.W. Bro. A. J. Sawatzky, King Solomon Lodge No. 8

R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor, Gladstone Lodge No. 11

R.W. Bro. J. A. Sundell, Holland Lodge No. 63

R.W. Bro. Austin D. Blair, Composite Lodge No. 64

R.W. Bro. D. A. McKay, Crystal Lodge No. 71

R.W. Bro. Frank C. Davey, King Edward Lodge No. 93

R.W. Bro. H. Stewart Perdue, Tweed Lodge No. 113

W. Bro. W. M. Summers, Norwood Lodge No. 119

W. Bro. S. C. Bagley, St. James Lodge No. 121

R.W. Bro. Alex. E. Duff, Fort Garry Lodge No. 130

R.W. Bro. E. L. White, Kildonan Lodge No. 131

R.W. Bro. Matt. Ferguson, Lord Selkirk Lodge No. 137

W. Bro. Geo. M. Lardner, Beaver Lodge No. 139

R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat, Beaver Lodge No. 139

W. Bro. E. M. Finkleman, Mount Sinai Lodge No. 143

W. Bro. G. Wilson Rattray, Friendship Lodge No. 165

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

On behalf of the members of the Board of General Purposes, I beg to submit the following report containing a summary of the business transacted by the Board during the past Masonic year.

MEETING OF JUNE 4th, 1953

There were 36 members present.

The inaugural meeting of the Board was held in the Grand Lodge Room of the Royal Alexandra Hotel immediately after the close of Grand Lodge, for the purpose of organization.

By virtue of office, the Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans, became President of the Board, and R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett was elected Vice-President.

The Committee to strike Standing Committees was named as follows:

M.W. Bros. H. Coddington, F. H. Blythe, H. B. Donnelly, S. Burland, and W. C. McDonald, the first-named being Chairman.

It was made known that R.W. Bro. Evans was about to leave on a visit to England and best wishes for a pleasant trip were extended to him.

MEETING OF JUNE 19th, 1953

The Vice-President presided with 21 members present.

After the introduction of new members and a sincere word of appreciation and good wishes to M.W. Bro. Donnelly on his retirement from professional duties, the Board instructed M.W. Bro. Douglas to negotiate a visit from M.W. Bro. Claudy to our Grand Lodge in 1954 and gave approval of plans for a new lodge building submitted by Roblin Lodge No. 122.

The report of the Committee to Strike Standing Committees was presented and adopted, as also was the report of the Committee on Finance.

Plans submitted by Rivers Lodge No. 115 for a new Masonic Hall were approved. At the same time it was directed that Rivers Lodge be informed that in the opinion of the Board there should be an additional \$5,000 in hand before the building programme should begin.

The Grand Secretary was instructed to point out to a certain Brother that in making reference to his Masonic affiliations in political advertising he had violated the accepted customs of Freemasonry.

Authorization was given to call for tenders for the reprinting of the Constitution, gratitude of the Board was expressed in the improvement in health of M.W. Bro. Gray, suggestions were made regarding the rank and title of Appointed Officers and Elected Officers of Grand Lodge, and also regarding the desirability of (1) increasing the numerical strength of the Board to 24, and (2) lengthening the term of membership to three years with eight members to be elected each year.

MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 18th, 1953

The Vice-President presided, with 39 members present.

Before the regular business was entered upon the Board paid tribute to the memory of M.W. Bro. Major recently deceased, congratulated M.W. Bro. Douglas on his article appearing in the Winnipeg Free Press, and expressed extreme pleasure in the fact that M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray was able to be present.

Regrets were expressed on receiving information that M.W. Bro. Claudy would be unable to visit Grand Lodge Communication of Manitoba in 1954. Information was received to the effect that construction of the new Masonic Building at Roblin was proceeding satisfactorily and that the necessary steps were being taken by Rivers Lodge regarding the purchase of property and building plans.

A tender from Wm. McLellan Printers for the reprinting of 3,000 copies of the Constitution was accepted, and the sale price for the new Constitution was fixed at \$1.25 per single copy, or \$1.15 each in dozen lots.

Special reference was made to a communication received through the Secretary to the Governor-General of Canada, expressing the pleasure of Her Majesty, the Queen, in receiving our expressions of good wishes on the occasion of her Coronation.

A report from the Committee on Masonic Research and Education gave the results of a survey to ascertain the extent to which the "Master's Assistant" was being used and upon recommendation of the Committee authorization was given to have a further supply of the books made available.

It was noted, too, that the Committee on Masonic Research and Education had made provision to supply speakers to lodges outside the area of greater Winnipeg, when requested to do so, and that arrangements were being made with reference to plans for Area Meetings next year and for special anniversary occasions.

Progress reports were received from the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry, the Committee on Foreign Relations, the Committee on Benevolence, and the Committee on Constitution and Revision.

A request from Elgin Lodge to change their place of meeting was tabled pending receipt of proper resolution regarding procedure, requests from Robbie Burns Lodge and from Manitou Lodge to change their respective places of meeting were granted and a petition to re-establish Marquette Lodge No. 21 at Portage la Prairie was approved.

Authorization was given for the signing officers of Grand Lodge to be any two of the following: Grand Master, Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, Chairman of the Investment Committee, and Chairman of the Finance Committee.

The matter of procedure to be followed in connection with requests from Constituent Lodges regarding the buying and, or, selling of Lodge property was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals for consideration and report.

The Grand Master was authorized to appoint a special committee to give consideration to, and report on, the matter of "lodges that do not hold regular meetings in accordance with their Constitution and By-laws."

The Grand Secretary gave a brief report on the Banff Conference, stressing the importance of the same and stating that M.W. Bro. Jackson of Alberta had been elected President of the Conference for the ensuing year. In this connection authorization was given for Manitoba's portion of the expense involved in mimeographing papers, etc., to be paid.

MEETING OF NOVEMBER 20th, 1953

The President presided with 34 members present.

On recommendation of the Committee on Foreign Relations, it was agreed that the private lodge in Brazil, soliciting financial aid to erect a Masonic building, and the Grand Lodge of Greece, asking for donations to repair earthquake damage to lodge buildings, be informed that there are no funds available in Grand Lodge of Manitoba for such purposes.

The request from Elgin Lodge No. 86 to be permitted to change their place of meeting was granted, the Board being satisfied that all constitutional requirements as to procedure in this regard had been met.

The matter of Place of Meeting for the 1954 Grand Lodge Communication was discussed at length, whereupon it was finally resolved that we continue our practice of alternating between the Royal Alexandra Hotel and the Fort Garry Hotel, and that the 1955 Communication be held in the former.

A request from Chapel Lawn Memorial Gardens for permission to establish a plot to be known as a Masonic Garden was respectfully declined on the ground that it is not the policy of Grand Lodge to endorse the use of the term "Masonic" for anything outside the immediate field of the Masonic Fraternity.

Payment of \$15.00 was authorized to cover our registration fee in the Washington Grand Secretaries' Conference, dispensations were granted to Roblin Lodge No. 122, and to Temple Lodge No. 49, to change their respective places of meeting, and approval was given to the request from Seven Oaks Lodge No. 148 to be permitted to purchase a lot and building in Kildonan for lodge purposes for \$20,000, paying \$10,000 cash and to raise the remaining \$10,000 by way of a mortgage on a basis of 6% interest.

In connection with the question submitted to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals as to whether or not "a constituent lodge had first to obtain the approval of the Board of General Purposes before the purchase or sale of real property," the findings of the Committee in the affirmative were recognized and adopted.

The recommendation of the Committee on Masonic Research and Education that invitations be extended to Carman Lodge No. 155, Woodnorth Lodge No. 116, and Roblin Lodge No. 122 to act as Host Lodges for Area Meetings, was approved and authorization was given to proceed with the necessary arrangements for the same.

In the report of the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry it was pointed out that a thorough discussion of the condition of Freemasonry in each of the constituent lodges had taken place in Committee with D.D.G.M.'s present, and that, in the main, harmony prevailed with progress in anticipation. The Grand Master had urged the D.D.G.M.'s to keep in close touch with their respective districts, and to give particular attention to the planning for their visits to constituent lodges and to the arranging for District Meetings.

Progress reports were received from the Foreign Relations Committee, the Correspondence Committee, the Benevolence Committee, and the committee appointed to give attention to the matter of "Fire-Proof Facilities."

In connection with the report from the Investment Committee, approval was given to the investment of surplus funds, Government of Canada Bonds, as follows:

	Par	Cost
Masonic Disaster Relief Fund.....	\$23,400	\$22,305.25
War Effort Fund.....	800	752.00
Benevolent Endowment Fund.....	1,800	1,692.00

A recommendation from the Grand Chaplain which was introduced by M.W. Bro. Gray, Grand Master, to the effect that we establish the custom of holding annually, a Service of Public Thanksgiving, sponsored by Grand Lodge, was approved and authorization was given to have the necessary arrangements made.

M.W. Bro. Harry Gray also introduced and strongly urged support of the following suggestion: that a fund be created by personal contributions from the brethren of the Jurisdiction; such a fund to be known as the Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund for means of identifying it at the present time, and that the amount of the fund be set at \$25,000.00. This suggestion was heartily endorsed, and approval was given to authorize the Finance Committee to advance a sum of up to \$600 as a loan to take care of the necessary publicity that would be involved.

MEETING OF JANUARY 15th, 1953

The President presided with 36 members present.

A report from the Committee on the Revision of Masonic Districts was presented by its Chairman, M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni, calling for revision of District Boundaries in appreciation of the following points:

1. That the ideal number of lodges in any district seems to be eight (8).
2. That highway travel now seems to be more advantageous than train travel.
3. That closer ties of brotherhood should be established and maintained between city and country lodges.
4. That more advantage should be taken of our privilege in having both the Ancient York and the Canadian Rites within our Grand Jurisdiction.

The proposed revision divides the entire area into fourteen recognized districts, each consisting of eight constituent lodges, with four northern lodges in addition, placed temporarily under the direct supervision of the Grand Master. Further, district boundaries are so arranged that each of the York Rite Lodges in the Grand Jurisdiction is linked up with lodges of the Canadian Rite.

After much valuable discussion of the report, it was finally resolved that further discussion of it be deferred until the next regular meeting of the Board, at which it was hoped action would be taken.

Progress reports were received from the Committee on Lodge Meetings—Constitution—By-Laws, the Committee on the Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund, the Committee on Benevolence, and the Committee on Constitution and Revision.

The necessary consent and approval was given to Crescent Lodge No. 103 to purchase property legally described as Lots 12 and 13, Block 751, in the village of Elm Creek, Manitoba, together with a building 22 feet by 40 feet, situated on same, for the sum of \$1,000.00 cash.

The Grand Master announced that the Service of Thanksgiving, referred to at the November meeting of the Board, would be held in Holy Trinity Church, Winnipeg, on Sunday evening, January 24th, 1954.

A letter from the Grand Lodge of Scotland reporting on the erection and consecration of the Grand Lodge of the State of Israel, was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations, and authorization was given to send the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary to Washington, D.C., as delegates to the Grand Masters' conference and the Conference of Grand Secretaries respectively.

Permission was given to Manitou Lodge No. 30 to purchase property legally described as Lot 23, Block 133, Plan 123, in the village of Manitou, for the sum of \$2,500 cash, permission to form a new Masonic Lodge in Greater Winnipeg to be known as Menorah Lodge was granted, and authorization was given for the payment of \$100 to the Canadian Masonic Research Association, in keeping with our recognized commitment.

In his report for the Committee on Masonic Research and Education, R.W. Bro. White pointed out that a panel of speakers was being arranged to visit constituent lodges upon invitation, that new books for the library had been ordered, and that Roblin Lodge, Carman Lodge, and Woodnorth Lodge had expressed their willingness to act as Host Lodges for Area Meetings.

A report from the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry was adopted, in which it was urged that the Historical Register of each constituent lodge be brought up to date and that provision be made in the minute book of each lodge for the insertion of Rulings and Directives from Grand Lodge.

In the discussion of this report there was some intimation that in some districts all was not well, whereupon the Grand Master urged that any irregularity known to the D.D.G.M., or any feature indicating a lack of interest or harmony, should be brought to his attention without delay.

Authorization was given to the Committee on Investments to reinvest the proceeds from the securities in the Benevolent Fund maturing on February 1st, 1954, and March 1st, 1954 respectively.

Attention was called to the colored Coat of Arms which had been completed by R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat, and a generous expression of appreciation was tendered.

MEETING OF MARCH 19th, 1954

The President presided, with 38 members present.

The report from the Committee on Redistribution of Masonic Districts having been introduced for further discussion and ample opportunity for the consideration of the proposed new plan of district boundaries having been provided, approval was finally given for the report to be recommended to Grand Lodge at its next sitting. Following this action an enthusiastic expression of appreciation was accorded to M.W. Bro. Fahrni and his committee for the splendid work done in preparing the report.

Progress reports were received from the Committee on Lodge By-Laws, the New Temple Committee, the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry, the Committee on Benevolence, the Committee on Reception and Arrangements, and the Committee on Constitution and Revision.

A report from the Committee on the Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund showed that thus far a total of \$5,233 had been received from 1,037 contributions indicating an average of \$5.05 per contribution.

The Grand Master gave a brief account of his impressions at the Grand Masters' Conference at Washington and indicated that at some later date, when more time might be available, he would report more fully.

The Grand Secretary spoke briefly of the Grand Secretaries' Conference which he had attended in company with the Grand Master, and praised those who had delivered papers or who otherwise had taken part in discussions. He felt that many good suggestions had been received which would be of value in his work as Grand Secretary and expressed his gratitude for having had the privilege of attending the Conference.

The main subjects discussed at the Conference were:

1. Uniformity of Procedures among Grand Lodge Secretaries.
2. Increased Responsibilities of Investigating Committees.
3. Lodge Attendance.
4. Annual Returns.

Permission was given to Manitouwapa Lodge No. 156 to accept a gift of property on which they hoped to erect a new temple building, dispensation was granted to Crescent Lodge No. 103 to change their place of meeting to their new Masonic Temple and authorization was given to Carberry Lodge No. 29, East Star Lodge No. 55, and Favel Lodge No. 126 to become incorporated.

A charge of Unmasonic Conduct, couched in the proper language and bearing the seal of the Lodge, was preferred by Prince Arthur Lodge No. 105 against one of its members, with a formal demand that the brother involved be tried according to Masonic Law and Usage. It was resolved, in this connection, that a Masonic Trial should be held and that a Commission consisting of M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni, M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald, and R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green be appointed, M.W. Bro. Fahrni to act as Chairman, and M.W. Bro. McDonald as Secretary.

A communication from the Grand Secretary, Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star concerning accommodation arrangements for the annual communication of the two Grand Lodges, was ordered filed.

The Committee on Masonic Research and Education reported that 19 requests for Special Speakers had been received from constituent lodges and that arrangements were being made to supply the same.

The dates for the Area Meetings at Carman, Kenton and Roblin were announced to be April 23rd, April 29th, and April 30th respectively, and brief information was given indicating the nature of the programme to be followed at each meeting.

The Committee briefly outlined the work being done by its sub-committee on Masonic Education, and expressed great pleasure in the splendid work of the Grand Librarian.

It was resolved that the firm of Armstrong and Williams be the appointed auditors of Grand Lodge for the current year, and by resolution

it was agreed that the matter of Grand Lodge officers who sign Charters for constituent lodges be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Revision for consideration and report.

MEETING OF MAY 7th, 1954

The President presided with 43 members present.

The Committee on the Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund reported returns from 111 lodges, that 2,807 contributions had been made and that a total of \$12,404.13 had been received.

R.W. Bro. Kennedy reporting on the matter of signatures on Charters, gave as his considered opinion that "a charter should bear the date on which it was passed in Grand Lodge, and that the name of the Grand Master inscribed on the charter should be that of the Grand Master who was Grand Master at that time."

The following officers were authorized to represent the Grand Lodge of Manitoba at the next annual Banff Conference: the Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, and the Grand Secretary.

The annual report of the Grand Treasurer and that of the Grand Secretary were received together with reports from the standing committees on the following: Jurisprudence and Appeals, Research and Education, Condition of Freemasonry, Foreign Relations, Correspondence, Benevolence, Finance, Investments, Constitution and Revision, Reception and Arrangements.

The firm of Armstrong and Williams was appointed as Auditors for the ensuing year.

The Grand Master informed the Board that R.W. Bro. Rev. Harold L. Newton, Grand Chaplain, had accepted a call to a church in North Toronto and that he therefore had left the Manitoba Grand Jurisdiction. Fitting references were made expressing gratitude for the services of R.W. Bro. Newton, and enthusiastic endorsement was given to the request of the Grand Master that a letter of appreciation and good wishes be sent to him.

M.W. Bro. Fahrni made brief reference to the fact that comments had been received regarding the proposal for the re-allocation of districts and his recommendation that the proposed changes be held over for another year for further study was approved.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans (113), who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole (7). Carried.

PETITIONS, APPEALS AND CORRESPONDENCE

PETITION FROM MARQUETTE LODGE U.D. FOR A CHARTER

This petition was read by the Grand Secretary and the following resolution was moved by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (7), seconded by M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole (7) and carried, that:

WHEREAS the next step in dividing again Assiniboine Lodge No. 7 into its two original constituent lodges, Marquette Lodge having been granted a Dispensation by the M.W. Grand Master on the 20th day of October, 1953, and Instituted by M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray, the Grand Master, on the 26th day of October, 1953:

AND WHEREAS since that date has carried on successfully as a Lodge of Freemasonry in accordance with and in harmony with the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, as the report of the Grand Master to the Board of General Purposes will testify:

AND WHEREAS the said Lodge, having petitioned the Grand Lodge to grant them a Charter, which Petition with the approval of the Grand Master is now favorably recommended by the Board of General Purposes:

BE IT NOW RESOLVED that this Grand Lodge of Manitoba, grant the prayer of the Petition and that the said Lodge, situate in the City of Portage la Prairie be placed again on the Register of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, denominated Marquette Lodge and again numbered 21.

PETITION FROM MENORAH LODGE U.D. FOR A CHARTER

This petition was read by the Grand Secretary and the following resolution was moved by M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93), seconded by R.W. Bro. A. R. Dick (55) and carried, that:

WHEREAS Menorah Lodge, having been granted a Dispensation by the M.W. Grand Master on the 19th day of January, 1954, and Instituted by M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray, Grand Master on Wednesday, the 20th day of January, 1954 at East Kildonan, Manitoba:

AND WHEREAS since that date has carried on successfully as a Lodge of Freemasons, in accordance with and in harmony with the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, as the report of the M.W. Grand Master to the Board of General Purposes would testify:

AND WHEREAS the said Lodge, having petitioned the Grand Lodge to grant them a Charter, which Petition, with the approval of the M.W. Grand Master is now favorably recommended by the Board of General Purposes:

BE IT NOW RESOLVED that this Grand Lodge of Manitoba, grant the prayer of the Petition and that the said Lodge, situate in the Municipality of East Kildonan, Greater

Winnipeg, Manitoba, be placed on the Register of the Grand Lodge, denominated Menorah Lodge, and numbered 167.

Letters expressing best wishes for a most successful and harmonious Annual Communication were received from the following:

The Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia
The Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia
The Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Illinois
The Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Manitoba, O.E.S.
M.W. Bro. Geo. R. Calvert, P.G.M., Manitoba
M.W. Bro. George Moore, P.G.M. Alberta
M.W. Bro. Sam'l Harris, P.G.M. Alberta
M.W. Bro. W. J. Dunlop, P.G.M., Ontario
M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, P.G.M., Saskatchewan
M.W. Bro. Wm. P. Sturtz, P.G.M., Minnesota
M.W. Bro. Wm. F. Holman, P.G.M., Minnesota
M.W. Bro. Ralph W. Stanford, P.G.M., Minnesota
M.W. Bro. Ray E. Cummins, P.G.M., Minnesota
M.W. Bro. Herman T. Olson, I.P.G.M., Minnesota
M.W. Bro. Harry W. Gill, P.G.M., North Dakota

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members,
Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worship Sir and Brethren:

I respectfully present the Seventy-ninth Annual Report of the Grand Secretary for the year ended March 31st, 1954.

Copies of the Proceedings of the Seventy-eighth Annual Communication of Grand Lodge held on June 3rd and 4th, 1953, were prepared and mailed to each of the constituent lodges, the Officers of Grand Lodge, the members of the Board of General Purposes, and to the Grand Lodges and their Representatives with whom we are in fraternal relationship. A number of copies have been supplied to members of the Craft applying for same, however this number is small and I take this opportunity of informing the members that we have a surplus for those who may be interested in being better informed with regard to the workings of Grand Lodge.

Warning Circulars have been prepared in accordance with the decision of Grand Lodge and mailed to constituent lodges and other Bodies of Freemasonry under numbers 78A and 78B.

Certificates of Grand Lodge Officers, Past District Deputy Grand Masters and Master Masons, Life Members and Past Masters have been prepared and presented to those entitled to them, or forwarded to the Secretaries of the lodges concerned.

The statement showing all monies received and disbursed by Grand Lodge during the year and the indebtedness of lodges to Grand Lodge are included with the statements attached to the Report of the Grand Treasurer.

The returns on Form 42 show a gross increase in membership of 887 and a net gain of 265 (these figures are the lowest in five years), and compares with a gross gain of 1041 and a net gain of 499 in 1952. Details and analysis follow:

Membership as at December 31st, 1952.....14,884

	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953
Additions:					
Initiations.....	791	745	729	720	691
Re-Instatements.....	51	42	45	48	50
Affiliations.....	156	147	135	164	146
Charter Members U.D.....		98		107	33
	<u>998</u>	<u>1032</u>	<u>909</u>	<u>1039</u>	<u>920</u>
Adjustment, add.....				2	
				<u>1041</u>	

Removals:

By Demit.....	172	180	222	188	213
Suspended N.P.D.....	75	113	112	95	108
Suspended U.M.C.....		1	1		
By Death.....	263	244	210	259	301
	<u>510</u>	<u>538</u>	<u>545</u>	<u>542</u>	<u>622</u>
Adjustment, less.....		5	18		6
Net Increase.....	<u>488</u>	<u>489</u>	<u>346</u>	<u>499</u>	<u>292</u>

Membership as at December 31st, 1953.....15,176

The following table shows the Degrees conferred in the various lodges for the past five years:

Entered Apprentice.....	791	745	729	720	691
Fellow Craft.....	774	747	704	724	673
Master Mason.....	774	680	750	732	697
	<u>2339</u>	<u>2172</u>	<u>2183</u>	<u>2176</u>	<u>2061</u>

Suspension, N.P.D.

67 Lodges have no suspensions for Non-Payment of Dues (68 in 1952).

47 Lodges have 108 suspensions for Non-Payment of Dues (45 Lodges showed 95 members in 1952).

Suspension U.M.C.:

There were no suspensions in 1953 (none in 1952).

Membership:

62 Lodges show an increase in membership, compared to 31 Lodges in 1952.

45 Lodges show a decrease in membership, compared to 31 Lodges in 1952.

5 Lodges show a membership unchanged, compared to 16 Lodges in 1952.

13 Lodges had no Initiations, compared to 11 Lodges in 1952.

11 Lodges conferred no degrees at all, compared to 6 Lodges in 1952.

Further details may be gathered from the Statistical Table which appears elsewhere in these Proceedings.

DISPENSATIONS ISSUED—April 1st, 1953, to March 31, 1954.

	1952-53	1953-54
To hold joint installation of Officers.....	16	12
To attend Divine Service in Regalia.....	47	48
To change lodge premises.....	5	6
To change place of meeting.....	10	12
Special Election and Installation of Officers.....	14	12
To confer degrees after receiving Waivers.....	9	10
To hold District Meetings.....	11	11
Conferring Degrees within specified time.....	3	2
Waiving residence qualifications.....	4	1
Special emergent meetings.....	2	0
To reballot on Petitioner for Degrees.....	1	0
To hele infraction of the Constitution.....	0	1
	<u>122</u>	<u>115</u>

AMENDMENTS TO LODGE BY-LAWS:

Regular Meetings—Lodges 2, 13, 19, 25, 30, 43, 48, 55, 84, 114, 118, 119, 121, 123, 130, 136, 137, 138, 144, 145, 153, 154, 156, 160, 161, 162.

Honorary Membership—Lodge 8.

Life Membership—Lodges 8, 19, 30, 84, 116, 119, 121, 125, 127, 138, 152 153.

Fees..... Lodges 68, 102, 121, 126, 130, 159

Dues..... Lodges 68, 70, 102, 112, 121, 122, 126, 130, 136, 138, 144, 148, 157, 159, 165.

Election of Officers..... Lodge 151

Funds of the Lodge..... Lodges 3, 19, 121, 144, 148, 153, 163

Control of Petitions for Membership..... Lodge 144

Balloting..... Lodge 84

Committees..... Lodges 3, 148

Business Routine..... Lodge 162

Complete revision..... Lodges 8, 52, 100, 109, 118, Marquette U.D.

By authority of Grand Lodge at its Communication held on June 3rd and 4th, 1953, the following Charters have been issued:

Friendship Lodge No. 165, situate in the Municipality of Fort Garry, Manitoba, issued on September 3rd, 1953, and the Lodge Constituted and Consecrated on that date.

Woodworth Lodge No. 166, situate in the Village of Kenton, Manitoba, issued on July 16th, 1953, and the Lodge Constituted and Consecrated on that date.

The Grand Master has also been pleased to grant dispensations for the formation of two new lodges which were Instituted as follows:

Marquette Lodge, U.D., situate in the City of Portage la Prairie, Manitoba. Instituted on October 20th, 1953.

Menorah Lodge, U.D., situate in the Municipality of East Kildonan, Manitoba. Instituted on January 20th, 1954.

The list of Grand Representatives appointed since the previous Annual Communication are included in the Grand Master's Address.

There are no items of unfinished business from the previous Annual Communication.

There have been many requests from lodges outside the area of Greater Winnipeg for visitation of their members while sick in the Winnipeg Hospitals. These requests were referred to, and the visits have been cheerfully taken care of by the respective Sick and Visiting Committees of the Winnipeg Lodges and I feel sure the requesting lodges would like me to take this means of conveying their thanks to the Committees concerned.

During 1953 it was noticed that a number of lodges recessed for one or more months in July, August and September, without proper authorization in their by-laws; subsequently a complete review was made of the By-laws of all constituent lodges, after which the results were reported to the Board of General Purposes at its meeting of September 18th, 1953, when a Committee was appointed to go further into the matter and it is expected will have recommendations to make shortly.

Feeling that some benefit would be obtained from a meeting with the Lodge Secretaries, and as it was not possible to meet with all of them, I invited the Secretaries of all lodges in Greater Winnipeg to a meeting in the Grand Secretary's Office on the evening of January 22nd, 1954—seventeen of them were able to attend and from the discussions which took place and the recommendations made, I believe it was generally felt that the meeting was a success and that similar meetings should be held annually.

The G.A.O.T.U. in His wise Providence having granted our prayers with respect to the health of our Grand Master, a Special Communication of Grand Lodge was called for Wednesday, August 19th, 1953, when he was duly Installed into Office by M.W. Brother Maurice S. Donovan, and I join with all Officers and members in giving heartfelt thanks that his health has been so improved that he has been able to undertake all the subsequent duties of his office.

At the request of The Pas, Flin Flon and Fort Prince of Wales Lodges, members of the Grand Jurisdiction were given the opportunity of accompanying the Grand Master when making his Official Visit during 1953. When arrangements were complete, including Grand Lodge Officers, there were forty-three members in the party, M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe acting for the Grand Master. The full story was told in the October 1953 issue of Masonry in Manitoba. We found Freemasonry to be in a healthy condition at these far distant points and returned with the feeling that in our search for Brotherhood we had been successful and had made many new friends.

On June 10th and 11th, 1953, I accompanied the representative of the Grand Master to the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of

Alberta, where I was conferred with the Honorary Rank of Past Senior Grand Warden, a distinction which I prize very highly. On June 17th and 18th, 1953, it was also my pleasure for the second time to attend the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, and on March 16th, 17th and 18th, 1954, I accompanied the Grand Master to the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota. These visits I find to be most instructive and informative with respect to the Office which I hold.

On September 10th, 11th and 12th, 1953, with other delegates I attended the Thirteenth Annual Inter-Provincial Conference of the Officers of the Four Western Masonic Jurisdictions at Banff; there was a very good attendance and we had the pleasure of hearing a very thought-provoking address given by M.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary of Saskatchewan on "My Church and My Lodge." The Agenda also included papers and discussions on the following topics:

- Should Lodges Participate in Community Service Activities.
- The Moral Obligation of the North-East Angle Lecture.
- The Use and Abuse of the Privilege of Lodge Visitation.
- Responsibilities and Duties of a District Deputy Grand Master.

Copies of the main Address and the papers have been forwarded to every constituent Lodge in the Jurisdiction and it is hoped that the Masters of the various lodges have been able to put them to use by introducing some of the topics for discussion in their lodge meetings.

I also attended the Conference of the Grand Lodge Secretaries in North America held at Washington, D.C., on Wednesday, February 24th, 1954, the subjects on the Agenda being:

- Uniformity of Procedure Among Grand Lodge Secretaries.
- Increased Responsibility of Investigating Committees.
- Lodge Attendance.
- Annual Returns, Make-up, Requirements, Penalties, etc.

It is a great privilege to be delegated to attend these Conferences and is an opportunity for education in Grand Lodge matters as well as making the personal acquaintance of so many Grand Secretaries with whom I have corresponded.

I also attended the Grand Master at every District Meeting as well as many other special events at which I was given the privilege of speaking to the brethren on various topics and more particularly with respect to Lodge By-laws, the make-up and operation of Grand Lodge, etc. It is my hope that I was able to convince the Lodge Officers that they never need to hesitate to write to the Grand Secretary's Office for advice if they are in doubt with respect to any matter affecting their Lodge.

Before closing this report, I wish to express my appreciation to the Secretaries of all Constituent Lodges for their co-operation in regard to correspondence, semi-annual reports, prompt replies to letters and the careful compilation of reports in addition to enabling us to complete our records on-time assists us in our efforts, to some extent in these days of rising costs, to keep expense down to the minimum.

In conclusion, I desire to express my thanks to the members of the Committee on Finance for their ready advice when needed, to all Grand Lodge Officers and other members of the Board for their assistance and

also to my assistant, Miss Margaret Anderson, and the Executive Secretary, W.Bro. Gordon McKenzie, for their willing co-operation given at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. C. JACKSON,
Grand Secretary.

This report was presented by the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3). It was moved by R.W. Bro. J. F. Irwin (24), seconded by R.W. Bro. A. E. Duff (130) that it be received and referred to the Committee on the Grand Secretary's Report. Carried.

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through the Grand Treasurer presents the following statements covering transactions for the year ending March 31st, 1954:

General Fund

- Exhibit "A"—Balance Sheet
- Exhibit "B"—Statement of Income and Expenditure
- Schedule "1"—Accounts Receivable

Benevolent Endowment Fund

- Exhibit "C"—Balance Sheet
- Exhibit "D"—Statement of Income and Expenditure

Beneficiary Fund

- Exhibit "E"—Balance Sheet
- Exhibit "F"—Statement of Income and Expenditure
- Schedule "2"—Statement of Beneficiary Fund Payments

Flood Fund (Now Disaster Relief Fund)

- Exhibit "G"—Balance Sheet

War Effort Fund

- Exhibit "H"—Balance Sheet

Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund

- Exhibit "I"—Statement of Receipts and Disbursements
- Exhibit "K"—Consolidated Balance Sheet

All accounts have been audited and found correct by the Grand Lodge Auditors whose certificate is appended hereto.

It is a pleasure to report that the finances of our Grand Lodge are in a healthy condition, Insurances are up-to-date, our Investments in order with interest collected and deposited. Details of the Financial aspect of Grand Lodge will be found in the Auditors' Report and Statement.

I wish to express my thanks to the Grand Secretary and his staff for their co-operation and for the fellowship and guidance of the members of the Committee on Finance.

Fraternally submitted

W. PERCY WHITE,
Grand Treasurer.

This report was presented by R.W. Brother W. Percy White (4) who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93). Carried.

April 9, 1954

To the Most Worshipful The Grand Master, Officers and Members,
Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

In accordance with your instructions we have audited the accounts of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., for the year ended March 31, 1954, and now present the undernoted Financial Statements.

General Fund:

Exhibit "A"—Balance Sheet.

Exhibit "B"—Statement of Income and Expenditure.

Schedule "1"—Accounts Receivable.

Benevolent Endowment Fund:

Exhibit "C"—Balance Sheet.

Exhibit "D"—Statement of Income and Expenditure.

Beneficiary Fund:

Exhibit "E"—Balance Sheet.

Exhibit "F"—Statement of Income and Expenditure.

Schedule "2"—Statement of Beneficiary Fund Payments.

Flood Fund (Now Disaster Relief Fund):

Exhibit "G"—Balance Sheet.

War Effort Fund:

Exhibit "H"—Balance Sheet.

Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund:

Exhibit "I"—Statement of Receipts and Disbursements.

Exhibit "K"—Consolidated Balance Sheet.

Cash in Bank:

The balances in Bank were confirmed by certificates obtained by us direct from the Bank.

Investments:

The securities representing the investments were inspected and found in order.

Yours truly,

ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS,
Chartered Accountants.

Exhibit "A"

BALANCE SHEET
GENERAL FUND

As at March 31, 1954

ASSETS

Current:

Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce.....	\$10,092.44
Cash in Hand (Petty).....	100.00
Accounts Receivable (Per Schedule "1").....	464.60
	<u>\$10,657.04</u>

Inventories:

Supplies and Stock.....	4,875.80
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Investment:

Government of Canada Bonds 1966—3%.....	10,500.00
(Par Value \$10,000.00)	

Equipment:

Furniture and Fixtures	
Regalia	
Library and Fixtures	
Valued at.....	1.00
	<u>\$26,033.84</u>

LIABILITIES

Surplus (Per Exhibit "B").....	<u>\$26,033.84</u>
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We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F. & A.M., for the year ended March 31, 1954, and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the Corporation as at March 31, 1954.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS,
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 9, 1954.

Exhibit "B"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

GENERAL FUND

For the Year Ended March 31, 1954

INCOME

Dues.....	\$21,803.75
Initiations.....	1,386.00
M.M. Certificates.....	1,436.00
L.M. Certificates.....	128.00
P.M. Certificates.....	103.50
Dispensations.....	207.00
Bond Interest.....	300.00
Stock.....	1,060.63
Fidelity Bonds.....	31.75

\$26,456.63

EXPENDITURE

Salaries and Honorariums.....	\$ 9,715.00	
Grand Lodge Communication.....	3,138.37	
Masonry in Manitoba.....	2,453.51	
Annuities.....	497.52	
Library Maintenance.....	1,394.10	
Rent.....	1,500.00	
Grand Master.....	1,099.97	
Northern Trip.....	332.50	
Board Meetings.....	950.82	
Grand Secretary and Grand Lodge Officers.....	346.29	
Consecration and Constitution.....	78.41	
Area Meetings.....	1,147.31	
Stationery, Office Expense and Supplies.....	779.81	
Regalia G.M. & Officers.....	1,215.80	
Conferences:		
Banff.....	\$389.25	
Washington.....	559.06	
		948.31
Audit.....	400.00	
Postage and Express.....	261.68	
Certificates L.M.....	59.40	
Certificates M.M.....	251.41	
Donation.....	75.25	
Telephone and Telegraph.....	156.67	
Committee Meetings.....	234.97	
Flowers.....	49.33	
Jewels 50 Year.....	275.00	
Masonic Relief Association.....	107.20	
Insurance.....	150.92	
Unemployment Insurance.....	101.66	
Exchange.....	35.49	
Safety Deposit Box.....	25.00	
Miscellaneous.....	139.90	27,921.60
Excess of Expenditure over Income.....		\$ 1,464.97
Surplus as at March 31, 1953.....	\$25,095.87	
Add: Adjustment re Stock and Supplies on		
Hand for Sale.....	\$2,119.65	
Refund All Canada Conference.....	283.29	2,402.94
		27,498.81
Surplus as at March 31, 1954.....		<u>\$26,033.84</u>

Schedule "1"

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
GENERAL FUND

As at March 31, 1954

No.	Name of Lodge	Amount	
		Dr.	Cr.
2.	Lisgar.....	\$ 15.20	
3.	Ancient Landmark.....	14.55	
4.	St. John's.....	2.00	
6.	Emerson.....	1.00	
12.	Stonewall.....	.75	
13.	Morden.....		1.50
15.	Corinthian.....		2.00
27.	Glenwood.....	4.00	
30.	Manitou.....	20.45	
36.	Doric.....	18.95	
39.	Birtle.....	25.75	
43.	Lebanon.....	5.50	
44.	Oak Lake.....	1.00	
48.	Glenboro.....	.75	
50.	Killarney.....	1.50	
54.	Oriental.....	1.00	
68.	Vermillion.....	18.15	
70.	Shiloh.....	11.10	
84.	Hamiota.....		6.75
86.	Elgin.....	18.30	
90.	Midlothian.....	.25	
93.	King Edward.....	.45	
94.	Hiram.....	2.70	
100.	Robbie Burns.....	1.20	
101.	Binscarth.....	2.00	
103.	Crescent.....	14.95	
104.	Reston.....	1.35	
105.	Prince Arthur.....	17.70	
107.	Lansdowne.....	3.15	
108.	Union.....	1.25	
109.	Swan Lake.....	7.80	
115.	Rivers.....	8.00	
116.	St. Andrews.....		2.00
117.	Strathcona.....	2.00	
119.	Norwood.....	5.00	
120.	Penza.....	7.00	
122.	Roblin.....		1.00
124.	The Pas.....	1.75	
125.	Patricia.....	15.00	
126.	Favel.....	2.00	
131.	Kildonan.....	.75	
133.	McCreary.....	2.00	
136.	Capital.....	2.80	
139.	Beaver.....	8.65	
143.	Mt. Sinai.....	28.05	
Carried Forward.....		\$295.75	\$13.25

Schedule "1"

(Continued)

No.	Name of Lodge.	Amount	
		Dr.	Cr.
	Brought Forward.....	\$295.75	\$13.25
144.	Fort Osborne.....	11.90	
145.	Sturgeon Creek.....	3.60	
146.	Fidelity.....	15.80	
148.	Seven Oaks.....	14.55	
151.	The Dormer.....	1.25	
153.	Flin Flon.....	32.25	
154.	Pine Falls.....	6.50	
157.	Rice Lake.....	7.20	
158.	Fenwick.....	13.15	
159.	Newdale.....	8.00	
162.	Ashlar.....	6.30	
163.	Charleswood.....	7.65	
164.	Harry Woods.....	.50	
165.	Friendship.....	3.40	
U.D.	Menorah.....	50.05	
		<hr/> \$477.85	<hr/> \$13.25
		13.25	
		<hr/> \$464.60	<hr/>

Exhibit "C"

BALANCE SHEET
BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND
As at March 31, 1954

ASSETS

Current:

Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce.....\$ 1,873.76

Investments:

Par Value

Province of Manitoba Debentures..	\$ 54,000.00	\$ 53,876.25
Government of Canada Bonds.....	206,900.00	206,578.51
Canadian National Railway Bonds..	27,000.00	27,098.75
City of Winnipeg Debentures.....	37,000.00	34,780.00
Ontario Hydro Electric.....	9,000.00	8,980.00
Canadian West Indies Steamship Limited.....	1,000.00	1,000.00

\$332,313.51

Interest Accrued.....

115.94

332,429.45

\$334,303.21

LIABILITIES

Surplus (Per Exhibit "D").....\$334,303.21

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., for the year ended March 31, 1954, and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31, 1954.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS,
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 9, 1954.

Exhibit "D"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND

For the year ended March 31, 1954

INCOME

Donations Lodges.....	\$ 791.21
Life Members Fees.....	640.00
Premium on Bond Matured.....	5.00
	<hr/>
	\$ 1,436.21

EXPENDITURE

Exchange.....	1.65
	<hr/>
Excess of Income over Expenditure.....	\$ 1,434.56
Surplus as at March 31, 1953.....	332,868.65
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Surplus as at March 31, 1954.....	<u>\$334,303.21</u>

Exhibit "E"

BALANCE SHEET
BENEFICIARY FUND
As at March 31, 1954

ASSETS

Current:

Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce:

Savings Account.....\$ 7,525.55

Current Account.....336.43

\$ 7,861.98**Investments:**

Par Value

Government of Canada Bonds.....\$38,900.00 \$38,843.75

Province of Manitoba.....10,000.00 10,125.00

Canadian National Railway.....7,000.00 6,973.75

55,942.50\$63,804.48

LIABILITIES

Surplus (Per Exhibit "F").....\$63,804.48

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., for the year ended March 31, 1954, and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31, 1954.

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ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS,
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 9, 1954.

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

BENEFICIARY FUND

For the year ended March 31, 1954

INCOME

Interest—Bonds and Debentures:

Endowment Fund.....\$11,023.75

Beneficiary Fund.....1,693.25

\$12,717.00

Interest—Bank.....

35.39\$12,752.39

EXPENDITURE

Beneficiary Fund (Per Schedule "2").....\$14,493.30

Postage, Printing and Stationery.....300.00 14,793.30

Excess of Expenditure over Income.....\$ 2,040.91 ✓

Surplus as at March 31, 1953.....65,845.39

Surplus as at March 31, 1954.....\$63,804.48 ✓

Schedule "2"

STATEMENT OF BENEFICIARY FUND PAYMENTS

For the year ended March 31, 1954

No.	Name of Lodge	Case No.	Amount
1.	Prince Rupert's.....	347	\$125.00
1.	Prince Rupert's.....	378	245.15
1.	Prince Rupert's.....	400	245.00
2.	Lisgar.....	268	125.00
2.	Lisgar.....	387	365.15
2.	Lisgar.....	407	485.00
3.	Ancient Landmark.....	232	185.15
3.	Ancient Landmark.....	345	425.15
3.	Ancient Landmark.....	374	245.00
4.	St. John's.....	302	125.00
4.	St. John's.....	397	485.00
8.	King Solomon.....	296	45.00
10.	Northern Light.....	316	245.00
14.	Prince of Wales.....	348	245.15
24.	Neepawa.....	307	155.15
24.	Neepawa.....	399	485.15
24.	Neepawa.....	398	485.15
39.	Birtle.....	389	185.00
40.	Deloraine.....	396	365.15
43.	Lebanon.....	341	305.15
44.	Oak Lake.....	394	365.00
44.	Oak Lake.....	405	305.15
68.	Vermillion.....	380	245.15
70.	Shiloh.....	383	30.00
70.	Shiloh.....	411	30.00
84.	Hamiota.....	310	245.00
90.	Midlothian.....	323	245.15
90.	Midlothian.....	373	245.15
92.	Shoal Lake.....	404	365.00
93.	King Edward.....	364	305.00
93.	King Edward.....	375	605.00
93.	King Edward.....	412	345.00
100.	Robbie Burns.....	291	365.15
103.	Crescent.....	350	365.15
108.	Union.....	415	20.00
111.	Acacia.....	376	365.00
113.	Tweed.....	365	125.15
113.	Tweed.....	393	245.00
119.	Norwood.....	124	125.00
119.	Norwood.....	318	125.15
119.	Norwood.....	388	365.00
119.	Norwood.....	413	100.00
120.	Penza.....	414	185.15
124.	The Pas.....	401	365.15
129.	Shellmouth.....	409	125.15

Carried forward.....\$11,778.15

Schedule "2"
(Continued)

STATEMENT OF BENEFICIARY FUND PAYMENTS

For the year ended March 31, 1954

No.	Name of Lodge.	Case No.	Amount
	Brought Forward.....		\$11,778.15
131.	Kildonan.....	406	185.00
134.	Stony Mountain.....	355	365.00
134.	Stony Mountain.....	392	305.00
137.	Lord Selkirk.....	367	245.00
139.	Beaver.....	381	125.00
140.	Meridian.....	363	270.00
146.	Fidelity.....	410	365.00
148.	Seven Oaks.....	368	125.00
151.	The Dormer.....	386	365.00
153.	Flin Flon.....	352	365.15
			<u>\$14,493.30</u>

Exhibit "G"

FLOOD RELIEF (NOW DISASTER RELIEF FUND)

BALANCE SHEET

As at March 31, 1954

ASSETS

Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce..... \$ 564.88

Investments:

Government of Canada Bonds:

	Par Value	Cost
1957—3%.....	\$3,400.00	\$3,349.00
1959—3%.....	5,000.00	4,862.50
1962—3%.....	5,000.00	4,750.00
1963—3%.....	5,000.00	4,700.00
1966—3%.....	5,000.00	4,643.75

22,305.25

Surplus as at March 31, 1954..... \$22,870.13

Surplus as at March 31, 1953.....\$22,590.96

Add:

Interest Bonds.....\$ 279.00

Interest Bank......17

279.17\$22,870.13

Exhibit "H"

WAR EFFORT FUND

BALANCE SHEET

As at March 31, 1954

ASSETS

Current:

Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce.....		\$ 80.95
	Par Value	
Government of Canada Bond 1963—3%.....	\$800.00	
		752.00
		<u>\$832.95</u>

SURPLUS

Balance as at March 31, 1953.....	\$826.70	
Add:		
Bank Interest.....	\$2.14	
Bond Interest.....	4.11	
		6.25
Surplus as at March 31, 1954.....		<u>\$832.95</u>

Exhibit "I"

MASONIC BROTHERHOOD DISASTER FUND

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

For the Period January 8 to March 31, 1954

Receipts:

Donations.....	\$5,955.80
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Disbursements:

Expenses.....	\$428.83
Exchange.....	10.12
	<u>438.95</u>

Cash in Bank March 31, 1954.....	<u>\$5,516.85</u>
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Exhibit "K"

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

As at March 31, 1954

ASSETS

Current:

Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce.....	\$ 25,990.86
Cash on Hand.....	100.00
Accounts Receivable.....	464.60

\$ 26,555.46

Inventory Supplies and Stock.....	4,875.80
Equipment, Furniture and Fixtures, Regalia, Library and Fixtures Valued at.....	1.00

Investments:

Par Value

Province of Manitoba Debentures....	\$ 64,000.00	\$ 64,001.25
City of Winnipeg Debentures.....	\$ 37,000.00	34,780.00
Government of Canada Bonds.....	280,000.00	278,979.51
Canadian National Railway Bonds	34,000.00	34,072.50
Ontario Hydro Electric.....	9,000.00	8,980.00
Canadian West Indies Steamship Limited.....	1,000.00	1,000.00

\$425,000.00 \$421,813.26

Interest Accrued..... 115.94

\$421,929.20

\$453,361.46

LIABILITIES

Surplus:

General.....	\$ 26,033.84
Endowment.....	334,303.21
Beneficiary.....	63,804.48
Disaster Relief Fund.....	22,870.13
War Effort.....	832.95
Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund.....	5,516.85

Total Surplus as at March 31, 1954.....\$453,361.46

\$453,361.46

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., for the year ended March 31, 1954, and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31, 1954.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS,

Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 9, 1954.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand
Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Foreign Relations reports there have been no matters submitted during the past year which required action by this Grand Lodge.

A year ago, you adopted a recommendation of this Committee to enter into Fraternal Relationship and exchange Representatives with, the Grand Lodge of Argentina. In due time your action was put into effect and we are greatly impressed with their printed Proceedings covering their Ninety-fifth Annual Communication. They are one of the few South American Grand Lodges to print their Proceedings in English, much to the delight and better understanding of your Committee.

We have also received a copy of a report made to the Grand Lodge of Scotland by its Commissioner, Right Honorable The Earl of Elgin, R.W. Past Grand Master of Scotland, covering the Erection and Consecration of the United Grand Lodge of the State of Israel in October, 1953. This report featured an impressive gesture of brotherly understanding and co-operation when the existing Lodges of Israel surrendered their Charters and accepted membership in and pledged obedience to the new Grand Lodge. It is our prayer that the harmony and understanding exemplified by this Grand Lodge may extend into the national life of Israeli and bring peace and good will to that strife-torn land.

Your Committee has no knowledge of distress and upheaval other than that reported in the past.

After a generation of world-wide destruction and hate, Freemasonry is quietly and gently laboring to re-establish its Temples and set the brethren to work again, to rebuild those spiritual temples that are perhaps the world's greatest need.

Masons in this Jurisdiction would profit greatly in appreciation of their Masonic blessings if they understood the powerful, religious, political and ignorant opposition with which many of our friendly Grand Lodges are in combat at all times, not only through their Lodges, but also in their homes and schools.

Your Committee makes the urgent suggestion that our Foreign Representatives make it their task to communicate with the Grand Lodge they represent, if possible through our Representative near that Grand Lodge, and create a sympathetic understanding and a feeling of good will in the difficulties they are facing.

Fraternally submitted on behalf of your Committee,

FRED H. BLYTHE,
Chairman.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe

(93) who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (7). Carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on Benevolence beg to submit herewith its Annual Report for the year ended March 31st, 1954.

During the year, your Committee held three meetings to consider and review renewals and new applications.

Of the 53 Beneficiaries as at April 1st, 1953, six have been removed (3 voluntarily and 3 by death) and three new cases have been added, making a total of 50 Beneficiaries as at March 31st, 1954, a decrease of 3 as compared with March 31st, 1953.

Your Committee is pleased to report that funds available for Benevolence are such that your Committee has been able to deal generously with those in need of financial assistance.

The amount of monies expended during the fiscal year was \$14,493.30 as compared with \$14,788.30 for the previous year. While the amount expended is considerably more than the revenue received through interest on bonds of the Benevolent Endowment Fund and the Beneficiary Fund, there is still a substantial balance remaining in the Beneficiary Fund.

Your Committee acknowledges with grateful thanks additional monies placed to the credit of the Benevolent Endowment Fund during the year by donations:

Through Constituent Lodges and brethren.....	\$ 791.21
Life Membership Fees.....	\$ 640.00
	<u>\$1,431.21</u>

Your Committee is pleased to advise that the usual \$5.00 cheques were sent to all Beneficiaries at Christmas.

Your Committee wish again to call to the attention of Masters and Secretaries of Constituent Lodges, the importance of adhering to the regulations as defined in Section 11-B (3) of the Constitution respecting grants to Beneficiaries and particularly in notifying the Grand Secretary of full details respecting renewals, removals and new applications.

Your Committee has endeavored to administer the Fund so those in need of assistance have been amply provided for.

Respectfully submitted

HARRY CODDINGTON
Chairman

DONATIONS TO THE BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND

Prince Rupert's No. 1.....	\$100.00	Penza Lodge No. 120.....	\$ 20.04
Lisgar Lodge No. 2.....	40.00	McCreary Lodge No. 133.....	5.00
Emerson Lodge No. 6.....	47.53	The Dormer Lodge No. 151..	50.00
Prince of Wales Lodge No. 14	50.00	Pine Falls Lodge No. 154.....	77.00
Neepawa Lodge No. 24.....	25.00	Manitouwapa Lodge No.156	48.00
Manitou Lodge No. 30.....	25.00	Rice Lake Lodge No. 157.....	59.00
Deloraine Lodge No. 40.....	49.00	Friendship Lodge No. 166....	27.94
Oak Lake Lodge No. 44.....	20.00		
Glenboro Lodge No. 48.....	25.00	W. C. McDonald (70).....	6.70
Oriental Lodge No. 54.....	25.00	N. Rothstein (141).....	25.00
Vermillion Lodge No. 68.....	20.00	Thos. Gibson (4).....	10.00
Strathcona Lodge No. 117.....	11.00		
Norwood Lodge No. 119.....	25.00		
		Total	<u>\$791.21</u>

On behalf of M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1), Chairman of this Committee, this report was presented by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4). Carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray announced that the reception of Distinguished Guests and the Reception of the Grand Representatives of Sister Grand Jurisdictions would take place at the Evening Session.

ADJOURNMENT

The Afternoon Session was adjourned at 4.24 p.m., to be resumed at 8.00 o'clock in the evening.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2nd, 1954

Evening Session

LABOR RESUMED

The Grand Master, Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Masters entered the Grand Lodge Room in procession, the brethren singing the Processional Hymn "Not Alone for Mighty Empire."

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor by the Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray.

A Guard of Honor, a detail of brethren who are members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, under the command of W. Bro. Sgt. Howard M. Weir were piped into the Grand Lodge room by Pipe-Major Bro. J. Reay and Piper J. Reay, and lined the two sides of the room.

At the direction of M.W. the Grand Master, the Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W. Bro. David Rothstein retired and re-entered to escort our Distinguished Guests into Grand Lodge.

Grand Lodge of Alberta

M.W. Bro. W. H. Jackson, Grand Master

M.W. Bro. G. F. Ellis, P.G.M.

Introduced by M.W. Brother Charles E. Cole (7)

Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan

M.W. Bro. R. L. Hanbidge, Grand Master

M.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, Grand Secretary

Introduced by M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly (138)

Grand Lodge of Minnesota

M.W. Bro. L. E. Matson, Grand Master

R.W. Bro. W. L. Hillyer, Deputy Grand Master

M.W. Bro. L. H. Colson, P.G.M.

M.W. Bro. C. C. Colton, P.G.M.

M.W. Bro. C. L. Jacobson, P.G.M.

M.W. Bro. E. W. Johnson, P.G.M.

M.W. Bro. G. W. Christie, P.G.M.

R.W. Bro. C. M. Norton, Director of Masonic Service

W. Bro. D. E. Palmer, Assistant Grand Secretary

Introduced by M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93)

Grand Lodge of Montana

M.W. Bro. J. E. Patterson, Grand Master

M.W. Bro. B. F. Gaither, Grand Secretary

Introduced by M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran (27)

Grand Lodge of North Dakota

M.W. Bro. E. J. Franta, I.P.G.M.

M.W. Bro. H. S. Pond, Grand Secretary

M.W. Bro. G. C. Hulett, P.G.M.

M.W. Bro. C. M. Pollock, P.G.M.

M.W. Bro. J. A. Stormon, P.G.M.

Introduced by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4)

Grand Lodge of South Dakota

M.W. Bro. R. R. Twamley, P.G.M.

Introduced by M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald (70)

Grand Lodge of Virginia

M.W. Bro. H. M. Reid, Grand Master

Introduced by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (7)

These guests were received with Grand Honors and were welcomed by the M.W. Grand Master. He said that to be blessed by the presence of one's immediate family and close friends at home brings one great joy, and having one's Masonic family and Masonic friends at one's Masonic home is equally as fine a pleasure.

To the Representatives of our daughter Grand Lodges of Saskatchewan and Alberta he expressed the hope that the family ties would grow stronger as the years go by. He extended a special welcome to the Representatives of the Grand Lodge of Montana who were present at our Communication for the first time. To M.W. Bro. Hugh M. Reid, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Virginia and Representative for many years of our Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Virginia, he tendered a special welcome and hoped that all would enjoy their visit and have a pleasant stay with us.

Our visitors, along with their sponsors, were then invited to seats in the Grand East.

FLAG CEREMONY

Under command of Bro. Sgt. Major John E. Primrose, R.C.M.P., the Flag Bearers entered Grand Lodge. Bro.

Cpl. R.C.A. Leach carrying the Union Jack and Bro. Cpl. D. Henzie carrying the Stars and Stripes.

The Flags were presented at the Altar, after which they were carried to the Grand East, to remain for the duration of the Sessions.

The members present sang one verse of "God Save the Queen," and the "Star Spangled Banner." The Flag Bearers and Guard of Honor were then piped out, retiring from the Meeting.

PRESENTATIONS OF COMMISSIONS TO GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

At the request of the Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray, the Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein escorted to the Grand East, the brethren who were to receive their Commissions as Grand Representatives:

United Grand Lodge of England.....	M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan
Grand Lodge of Cuba.....	R.W. Bro. W. Percy White
Grand Lodge of West Virginia.....	W. Bro. B. Stuart Parker

In presenting the Representative's Jewel of the United Grand Lodge of England to M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan, and the Commissions to the other two brethren, the Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray urged them to communicate with the Grand Lodges they represent and expressed the thought that such communications would be of benefit to themselves and to our Grand Lodge.

RECEPTION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The Grand Director of Ceremonies presented the Grand Representatives of Sister Grand Jurisdictions and they in turn presented greetings on behalf of the Grand Lodges they represent:

Alberta.....	R.W. Bro. H. M. Kerr
Alpina (Switzerland).....	M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni
Argentina.....	R.W. Bro. J. F. Irwin
Arizona.....	R.W. Bro. A. D. Blair
Arkansas.....	W. Bro. G. H. Lucas
British Columbia.....	R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant

Canada (in Ontario).....	M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence
Chile.....	M.W. Bro. N. J. Black
Colombia.....	R.W. Bro. A. S. McCann
Colorado.....	R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy
Costa Rica.....	R.W. Bro. J. D. Lloyd
Cuba.....	R.W. Bro. W. P. White
Delaware.....	W. Bro. J. G. Wiechman
Ecuador.....	V.W. Bro. S. W. Robertson
England.....	M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan
France, N.G.L.....	R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter
Georgia.....	R.W. Bro. W. A. Prugh
Honduras.....	R.W. Bro. A. G. Cowan
Idaho.....	W. Bro. S. J. Sametz
Indiana.....	R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett
Iowa.....	M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran
Ireland.....	M.W. Bro. H. Coddington
Kansas.....	R.W. Bro. J. Cuthill
Louisiana.....	M.W. Bro. C. E. Cole
Maine.....	R.W. Bro. W. D. Harper
Maryland.....	R.W. Bro. D. Ferguson
Massachusetts.....	V.W. Bro. P. G. Hawkins
Mexico, Y.G.L.....	R.W. Bro. M. A. Nitikman
Minnesota.....	M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe
Mississippi.....	R.W. Bro. J. R. Glenn
Missouri.....	R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson
Nebraska.....	V.W. Bro. N. Rothstein
Netherlands.....	R.W. Bro. W. E. Glover
Nevada.....	R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat
New Brunswick.....	W. Bro. R. A. McKenzie
New Hampshire.....	V.W. Bro. W. D. G. Runions
New Jersey.....	R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein
New Mexico.....	M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly
New South Wales.....	W. Bro. I. Zipursky
New Zealand.....	M.W. Bro. S. Burland
North Carolina.....	R.W. Bro. Robt. Peel
North Dakota.....	M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald
Norway.....	Bro. Walle Larsson
Ohio.....	W. Bro. A. E. Boyle
Oklahoma.....	V.W. Bro. D. W. Smith
Panama.....	W. Bro. W. Dalzell
Philippine Islands.....	R.W. Bro. J. Livesey
Puerto Rico.....	R.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson
Rhode Island.....	R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans
Rio de Janeiro.....	R.W. Bro. H. L. Morrow
Santa Domingo.....	R.W. Bro. E. L. White
Saskatchewan.....	M.W. Bro. H. H. Gray
Scotland.....	M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas
Sao Paulo.....	R.W. Bro. E. B. Litz
South Australia.....	W. Bro. J. J. Allen
South Dakota.....	R.W. Bro. Jas. Wardrope
Tennessee.....	M.W. Bro. J. S. MacEwing
Utah.....	R.W. Bro. D. MacDonald
Vermont.....	R.W. Bro. F. K. Purdie
Victoria.....	R.W. Bro. A. R. Dick
Virginia.....	V.W. Bro. Clarence Hyde
Washington.....	R.W. Bro. G. R. Mackay
West Virginia.....	W. Bro. B. S. Parker
Western Australia.....	V.W. Bro. J. B. McClure
Wisconsin.....	W. Bro. N. M. Hall

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray, in greeting the Grand Representatives expressed his personal thanks for their attendance and also the hope that their combined efforts may bring about great Masonic benefits and he asked that they convey our greetings to the Grand Lodges they represent.

M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan speaking on behalf of all the Grand Representatives thanked M.W. Brother Gray for his greetings—"We realize we have a duty to perform," he said, "and we will do our utmost to fulfil that duty."

M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray, Grand Master, announced that our Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. Harold L. Newton had accepted a call to a Church in Toronto, and had left our Grand Jurisdiction. In thinking of a replacement for this Annual Communication and with the realization when you want a job done you think of those most active, not necessarily active now, but those who have spent years and years in doing things for other people, it was a great pleasure to present to the brethren, our acting Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. R. Fletcher Argue.

R.W. Bro. Argue then gave the following Address:

ADDRESS OF THE GRAND CHAPLAIN

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

You will I am sure, readily agree that at this time, it is most fitting that a word be spoken, calling attention to an experience of more than passing interest and importance in the lives of the members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

The great majority of the brethren who are attending this meeting this evening, one year ago this evening were attending the Seventy-eighth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. On that occasion, we moved about quietly, when we spoke, it was with almost bated breath. Though we were serious, and very anxious, we were hopeful. We had faith in the Great Architect of the Universe. While the brethren stood in silence, a special prayer was offered by our Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. H. L. Newton, and we feel certain that many silent prayers were also presented at the throne of Heavenly Grace, prayers which Almighty God, in his Infinite Wisdom and Divine Compassion, was pleased to

graciously answer by restoring to his wonted health and strength, our beloved Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray. For this great blessing we do most humbly and sincerely thank our loving Heavenly Father, the Bountiful Giver of every good and perfect gift. And, as we now recall that experience, one which bound us all more closely together around our Common Centre, by association, there comes also to mind a well-known passage from Tennyson's poem "Morte D'Arthur." This poem pictures an experience, in some respects similar to ours. You remember that Tennyson presents King Arthur as an illustrious example of noble knighthood. Though he has been grievously wounded and is frail and faint, he still possesses sufficient vigor of mind and spirit to address Sir Bedivere, the last of all his knights, in the following words:

"More things are wrought by prayer
Than this world dreams of. Wherefore let thy voice
Rise like a fountain for me night and day,
For what are men better than sheep or goats
That nourish a blind life within the brain,
If, knowing God, they lift not hands of prayer
Both for themselves and those who call them friend?
For so, the whole round earth is every way
Bound by gold chains about the feet of God."

This splendid passage has been chosen for our very brief consideration this evening, in part, because the ideal and colorful picture it presents has aspects similar to those found by us in our own experience, to which reference has just been made, and in part, because its symbolism has very special interest for us as Masons.

Our avowed purpose as Masons, is to have worthy men unite in fellowship so that by one indivisible chain of sincere affection, fidelity and truth, they may be bound each to the other, and all together around one Universal Centre, the God of all good life.

The goal which Tennyson contemplates, will be reached when, as he says, "The whole round earth is every way bound by gold chains about the feet of God." Tennyson tells us that King Arthur, the Royal Knight, is seeking to achieve that goal, which, as he pictures it, is not unlike our own, in spirit and in purpose.

Let us look then for a moment at the means which Tennyson deems it is necessary to use, in order to reach such a

goal. After considering what is accomplished, or wrought by prayer, Tennyson has King Arthur say, "For so,"—that is by means of prayer and faith—"the whole round earth is every way bound by gold chains about the feet of God." What exactly then, we may ask, does Tennyson understand by prayer and faith, the all-important means to his desired end, or goal?

Tennyson affirms that prayer is learning to know God by means of sincere fellowship and co-operation with Him, and with our fellow men. He adds, that it is not just giving formal assent to some abstract opinion about God. Faith, he defines, as the will to live and act, on the assumption that God exists, and that He has revealed His will to men.. How like, in Spirit is that to Masonry! An early point of contact with the candidate, who seeks admission to our Fellowship, calls forth an affirmation of belief in the existence of a Supreme Being, who has revealed His will to a man.

Expectation, almost always being an integral part of vital belief, the strong probability is that part of the candidate's newly affirmed belief in the existence of a Supreme Being, is hope for increased light and broader vision, longing for wider fellowship and a desire, stronger than he has ever known before, to render himself more extensively serviceable to his fellow creatures. Such hope, longing and desire ought never to be forgotten, belittled or frustrated by the brethren of the lodge. For it is only by fostering and helping toward the realization of this hope, by satisfying this longing for fellowship and by providing opportunity for more extensive service to humanity that the interest of the newly-initiated brother can possibly be retained and deepened.

This belief, as yet only a tender shoot, but one that gives promise of becoming a vigorous plant, may, we trust, grow into a strong conviction under the influence and teaching of the Worshipful Master, who regularly opens his lodge and employs and instructs the brethren in Freemasonry; the good offices of the Worshipful Master always being supplemented and ably supported by the assistance and instruction of other experienced brethren. These brethren, with the new member as companion, proceed onward, ever guided in their progress by the principles or moral truth, as they advance through the paths of heavenly science, even unto the throne of God Himself. Thus it is seen that the newly initiated brother, not only presents to the lodge a privilege but he also imposes upon the lodge an inescapable obligation.

The Masonic torch, to use Tennyson's symbol, so recently lighted, may continue to glow more and more brightly, or it may just be left to go out, depending, in some cases, on the contribution that you and I make. But, trying to justify my lack of interest, or to evade my responsibility, I may ask, "What can I contribute?" Well, the stark fact, is, I cannot contribute one whit more than I *am*. Note that it is not what I say or do that measures my contribution, nearly so much as what I, silently, and for the most part unconsciously, *am*. That old truism, "What you are, speaks so loudly I can't hear what you say," strikes home with startling effect.

Present day emphasis on reality suggests that we frankly ask ourselves, as Masons, what manner of men we really are. The man in the street, usually a severe but just critic, claims that he has a perfect right to expect of us the personal practice of the principles we profess. Such personal practice may mean, among other things, that, in the face of Communism's cruel and ruthless betrayal of all that we hold dear, we must be prepared to defend, to the death if need be, the principles of free personality, freely expressed in fellowship, and we must also stoutly affirm our belief in the absolute worth of the individual.

Confronted by this exacting challenge, well might we cry out, as did Moses of old, when God called him to a great task, "Who am I, that I should go?" God's answer then was, and, under similar circumstances, still is, "Thou therefore go, and I will be with thee." That assurance then was, and now is, sufficient. But, just here an important and searching question emerges. Do we always recognize God, when He is with us, when He is present? Do we see and know God as He really is? You remember that, at Bethel, Jacob said, "Surely God is in this place, and I knew it not." Though God is all about us, it is only when we truly see and know Him that we reverently worship. E. B. Browning tells us that:

"Earth's crammed with Heaven
And every common bush aglow with God.
But only those who see, take off their shoes,
The rest sit around and pluck berries."

Our failure to see and know God means that we fail also to see, to know and consequently to truly help our needy brother.

Bliss Carman, our Canadian Poet Laureate, when last he was in Winnipeg, came out and spent a day with us at the

University. He was good enough to come with me to one of my classes. He talked to my students for a few moments about poetry in general, then he read some of his own poems. He closed the class period by reading his short poem "Vestigia." Before beginning to read this poem, he said, very quietly and modestly, "This short poem is a bit of the best of me"—he read the first two lines—

"I took a day to search for God,
And found Him not . . ."

he paused, and said, "In my earlier years, I was anxious to find intellectual proofs to support an abstract opinion about God, but I could not find God by mere logical or abstract reasoning"—he began again, and read the poem through.

"I took a day to search for God,
And found Him not. But as I trod
By rocky ledge, through woods untamed,
Just where one scarlet lily flamed,
I saw His footprints in the sod.

Then suddenly, all unaware,
Far off in the deep shadows, where
A solitary hermit thrush
Sang through the holy twilight hush—
I heard His voice upon the air.

And even as I marvelled how
God gives us Heaven here and now,
In a stir of wind that hardly shook
The poplar leaves beside the brook—
His hand was light upon my brow.

At last with evening as I turned
Homeward, and thought what I had learned
And all that there was still to probe—
I caught the glory of His robe
Where the last fires of sunset burned.

Back to the world with quickening start
I looked and longed for any part
In making saving Beauty be . . .
And from that kindling ecstasy
I knew God dwelt within my heart."

When Bliss Carman felt an impulse, a "longing" to have "any part," however small, "In making saving Beauty be,"

he recognized that joyous "ecstasy" as being the presence of God in his heart.

Brethren, as Masons, we are all seekers after, and exponents of, truth and beauty—beauty, which truly adorns the inner man, and truth, which alone makes us free, as men, and as Masons. A clear-visioned seeker after truth writes:

Let there be many windows to your soul,
That all the glories of the Universe may beautify it,
Not the narrow pane of one poor creed
Can catch the radiant rays that beam
From many sources. Strip off the blinds of superstition,
Let the light pour in through windows
Broad as truth itself, and high as God.

R. FLETCHER ARGUE,
Acting Grand Chaplain.

Prolonged applause greeted the conclusion of this Address. In expressing his thanks, the M.W. Grand Master said "I am sure the brethren will agree with me, if we take nothing but your message, our labors and our journey here have been well worth while. You have left a message for us to take home, and no matter what we do or where we go we can get inspiration and blessing from it."

RECOGNITION OF MASONIC SERVICE

W. BRO. ALEXANDER MacKENZIE—
FORT PRINCE OF WALES LODGE No. 161

M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray, Grand Master, drew to the attention of the brethren assembled, that with the consent of the Deputy Grand Master and the Grand Wardens, he was conferring in absentia the rank of Honorary Past District Deputy Grand Master on W. Bro. Alexander MacKenzie of Fort Prince of Wales Lodge No. 161, Churchill, Manitoba.

Due to the fact that so many members of Fort Prince of Wales Lodge were members of the Armed Forces and were subject to transfer, the lodge had, over a very short time lost three successive Masters, and it was the personal efforts, advice and leadership offered by W. Bro. MacKenzie which

had held the lodge together and he was personally responsible in a large degree for the position it now holds.

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 115:

It was moved by M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158), seconded by R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4) that Section 115 of the Constitution be amended by adding the following:

"Provided that, the Grand Master may for reasons deemed sufficient, grant a dispensation to alter temporarily, the day, hour and/or place of such regular meeting."

The motion was carried.

Section 115 will now read as follows:

"The day and hour of the regular meetings of a lodge shall be stated in its By-laws, provided that, the Grand Master may for reasons deemed sufficient, grant a dispensation to alter temporarily, the day, hour and/or place of such regular meeting."

ADDRESS OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER, MOST WORSHIPFUL BROTHER HARRY H. GRAY

My Brethren:

The Seventy-ninth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba appears to have approached with the rapidity and speed of sound, marking another milestone in the history of our Grand Lodge and the conclusion of my term as Grand Master.

Most sincerely I welcome each and every one of you to the Sessions of this Grand Lodge—your Grand Lodge, my brethren; as we meet in peace amid a world fraught with strife and uncertainties, may God grant we recognize this privilege and view our labors with mature minds so each moment might be put to a useful purpose for the improvement and betterment of our Craft.

To each of you I wish to humbly express my gratitude for electing me your Grand Master. A year ago had circum-

stances permitted I would have expressed my appreciation, but believe me brethren, I could not have done it with the same sincerity and conviction that I do at this time, now that I have served. My great regret is that I have been unable to serve you in the manner I had planned and worked for; only in recent months has improved health allowed increased activity.

It is with a feeling of pride and great joy that I present this report of my year of Office, because so many have had a part in it. Seldom, if ever, has a Grand Master been privileged to experience a greater and truer expression of loyalty, never to my knowledge have the brethren of this Jurisdiction given such a practical demonstration of the true spirit of Brotherhood and a genuine desire to help.

But what has impressed me most is the aid I have received in a spiritual way. Truly do I believe that I am privileged to meet with you on this occasion, because you, brethren, individually and in your Lodges collectively appealed for my recovery with your prayers. The Most High in His infinite goodness and mercy has been most generous in His response, that fact and the knowledge of your actions could not fail to give me strength. It is at a time like that that words can become such stumbling blocks and poor substitutes for expressing the feelings of the heart. I know the Most High will reward you with His Blessings for your kindness; may He also aid in transmitting to you my true feelings of appreciation.

NECROLOGY

We mourn with the brethren of our Sister Grand Lodges and record with deep regret the loss which they have sustained by death during the past year:

May 31, 1953—M.W. Bro. Allan Melbourne Wilson,
P.G.M., Grand Lodge of New Brunswick.

June 8, 1953—M.W. Bro. Julius C. Hobbs, P.G.M.,
Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

June 9, 1953—M.W. Bro. Jared William Summerhays,
P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Oregon.

June 19, 1953—M.W. Bro. Roy D. Borden, P.G.M.,
Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia.

July 4, 1953—M.W. Bro. Walter W. Hynson, P.G.M.,
Grand Lodge of Delaware.

July 7, 1953—R.W. Bro. Rev. Isaac James Merry, P.G.C.,
Grand Lodge of Maine.

August 16, 1953—M.W. Bro. Hal Carter McLoud,
P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Illinois.

August 30, 1953—R.W. Bro. Douglas A. Meredith,
S.G.W., Grand Lodge of Kansas.

September 19, 1953—M.W. Bro. Karl M. Vetsburg,
P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Missouri.

October 3, 1953—M.W. Bro. Norris Greenleaf Abbot,
P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Rhode Island.

October 5, 1953—M.W. Bro. Charles Sydnor Angel,
P.G.M., Grand Lodge of West Virginia.

October 12, 1953—M.W. Bro. William Griggs Mealor,
P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Georgia.

October 25, 1953—M.W. Bro. Herman Held, P.G.M.,
Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

October 26, 1953—M.W. Bro. Archibald West, P.G.M.,
Grand Lodge of Alberta.

November 7, 1953—M.W. Bro. Edwin D. Crites, P.G.M.,
Grand Lodge of Nebraska.

January 6, 1954—M.W. Bro. J. Ernest Newsom, P.G.M.,
Grand Lodge of Colorado.

January 7, 1954—M.W. Bro. J. L. Sawyer, P.G.M.,
Grand Lodge of Wyoming.

January 20, 1954—M.W. Bro. Archer Alexander Johnson,
P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Missouri.

January 25, 1954—R.W. Bro. Ralph N. Lodge, G.S.,
Grand Lodge of Montana.

February 22, 1954—R.W. Bro. Allan Leonard Curtis,
P.J.G.W., Grand Lodge of Maine.

February 26, 1954—M.W. Bro. William H. Pugh,
P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Wyoming.

March 1, 1954—M.W. Bro. Hugh Moore, P.G.M., Grand
Lodge of Kentucky.

March 21, 1954—M.W. Bro. John R. Tapster, P.G.M.,
Grand Lodge of Nebraska.

March 29, 1954—R.W. Bro. L. Trevette Lockwood,
D.G.M., Grand Lodge of Florida.

Missing from view at this Grand Lodge Communication, yet ever fresh in our memory are those brethren who have answered the call of the Divine Tyler to attend the Grand Lodge Above. Your Committee on Fraternal Dead have recorded the names of 301 Brethren, who during the past year have been so called. Among this number we mourn one Past Grand Master. After a lengthy and painful illness M.W. Brother William J. Major while in peaceful slumber passed to his celestial home. "Service above self" was his rule, and one to which he adhered to with rigid self-discipline. He was elected Grand Treasurer in 1919, Junior Grand Warden in 1920 and Grand Master in 1923. Those who knew him well always admired his energy and ability, the numbers are indeed few who could equal his many accomplishments.

For a brief period let us pause in the activities of this Grand Lodge Session to pay tribute to our brethren who during the past Masonic year have answered the call of the Supreme Grand Master, to take up their labors in the Celestial Temple.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

(G.M.) Bro. Junior Grand Warden what thoughts should fill our minds on such an occasion as this?

(J.G.W.) Though our hearts are touched with sorrow as we remember those who are no longer in our midst, we shall rejoice in the memory of their faithful lives, and feel the duty that falls upon us to continue the tasks they have left unfinished.

(G.M.) Bro. Senior Grand Warden, how should Freemasons feel in the contemplation of death?

(S.G.W.) Trust that the ties of Brotherhood will remain unbroken beyond this transient life; assurance that the immortal principle within us cannot be overcome by death; and faith in the unchanging love of the Great Architect of the Universe.

(*G.M.*) Brethren, let us unite with the Grand Chaplain in prayer to Almighty God.

(*G.Chap.*) Eternal God, our Heavenly Father, who lovest us with an everlasting love, and canst turn the shadow of death into the morning, help us now to wait upon Thee with reverent and submissive hearts. In the silence of this hour, speak to us of eternal things that we may have hope, and be lifted above our darkness and distress into the light and peace of Thy presence. So mote it be.

(*G.M.*) It is fitting, brethren, that in this place of quiet, removed from the turmoil and trouble of life, in an atmosphere of Harmony and Peace, we should spend a few moments in still deeper quiet to think upon those of our number who have passed beyond our sight into the life eternal. Our hearts are saddened as we realize that we are denied the privilege of their association and fellowship. But knowing them as we did, we know that ours is a sadness of loneliness, but not of despair. They have but stepped over the threshold of life, and have entered their new home. The fine influence of their lives remains with us.

“They have put off their shoes
Softly to walk by day
Within our thoughts, to tread
At night our dream-led paths of sleep
They are not lost, who find
The sunset gate, the goal
Of all their faithful years.
Nor lost are they who reach
The summit of their climb,
The peak above the clouds
And storms. They are not lost
Who finds the light of sun
And stars, and God.”

(*J.G.W.*) (Steps to Altar and places a spray of red flowers.) May these flowers symbolize the warmth and beauty of their lives as they moved among their fellow men, and took their places with their brethren in Freemasonry. Out of the richness of their own hearts they gave Strength to others, that there might blossom the flowers of Truth and Brotherhood.

(*S.G.W.*) (Steps to Altar and places a spray of golden flowers.) As the rays of the setting sun flood the earth with

golden light, so these our brethren, guided by the Fatherly Hand of the Most High, have passed through their experiences of joy and sorrow, success and disappointment, and at the close of their day, refined and purified, have left with us the pure gold of their nobility and service.

(*D.G.M.*) (Steps to Altar and places wreath of Evergreen.) This Evergreen reminds us that it is the steadfast faith of Freemasonry, that beyond this present life there reaches out the never-ending communion of the soul with God; it strengthens our hope for the fulfilment of the promise that "at evening time there shall be light"; it is an emblem of our assurance that the one unconquerable thing upon this earth is the living, eternal soul of man.

(*G.M.*) Brethren, let us then express our gratitude to the Most High for those who, through love and hope, through toil and striving, have finished their course. Let us too, remembering their faithfulness and following their example, so live that the world will be richer because we have passed this way.

(*G.Chap.*) O Thou, before whose face the generations rise and pass away, we bless and praise Thy name for all Thy servants departed this life in Thy faith and fear. Grant that we, facing life's tasks and responsibilities, and bearing its burdens, may be protected by Thy mercy and be brought at last, to a reunion with the companions of our former toils, in the Glory of Thy Presence.

So mote it be.

View with me the vast panorama of our Freemasonry in this Grand Jurisdiction. Here is an impressive picture of 15,000 Freemasons, forming a body of men who have dedicated themselves to the finer ideals of life. Here in this picture are highlights of color and composition revealing unselfish and noble purpose, that draw your attention like a magnet. Here too, we shall admit, are portions that are dull and distorted, for in all human efforts, it is difficult to reach a uniformly high standard. What an improvement it would make in this canvas of human emotion and endeavor if we could, for these dull and uninteresting parts substitute that which is colorful and attractive. This can be accomplished by greater effort on your part and on mine. Let us try it, brethren. I know the reward will be generous.

If we focus our attention on the 115 lodges which make up our Jurisdiction we will see much activity and great

improvement especially in lodge properties. Design and construction range from the conservative to the ultra-modern, the old is being made new and the old transformed. I wish to personally commend those brethren who are carrying on in the grand traditions of their fathers and grandfathers, by building for the future and for others. It is comforting to know that the phrase, "They builded better than they knew" can also be applied to our day.

As your present Grand Master and one who has served as a Grand Lodge Officer for a number of years, I am fully aware of the progress that has been made by our Grand Lodge, numerically and otherwise. Many have heard me remark that we have graduated from the classification of a small Grand Lodge to a medium sized Grand Lodge and I admit that I have been guilty of boastful pride in the telling of our accomplishments. As we increase in size and stature, it is reasonable to suppose that we will have increased problems and responsibilities, necessity demands problems be kept to a minimum. A clearer understanding and closer relationship between those who have been elected to positions of trust and those who by vote have delegated such authority, is paramount to a successful Grand Lodge. I am pleased to report that there has been a noticeable improvement in this regard; one of my greatest regrets is that the plans I have made to further cement this relationship could only be implemented in part. The formation of travelling teams, each to consist of two elected Grand Lodge Officers was originally planned to operate under the direction of the Grand Master, so that they might visit as many lodges as possible, particularly those in remote areas which have not had a visit from Grand Lodge Officers in recent years. Where such procedure has been put into practice the results have been most gratifying, problems were discussed and solved, Masonic principles became active and tolerance and understanding introduced us to valued friendships.

VISITATIONS TO SISTER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

1953

June 9-10—Grand Lodge of South Dakota, represented by M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe.

June 10-11—Grand Lodge of Alberta, represented by M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan accompanied by R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson, Grand Secretary.

- June 17-18—Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, represented by M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran, accompanied by R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson, Grand Secretary.
- June 12—Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, 75th Anniversary, Portage la Prairie, represented by R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett, Senior Grand Warden.
- June 24—Lake Metigoshe, Masonic Island, represented by M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran.
- June 24—International Picnic—Peace Gardens, R.W. Bro. J. F. Irwin Representative.
- July 12—Walhalla, N.D. (Lookout Point), represented by M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly.
- July 16—Constitution and Consecration of Woodworth Lodge No. 166 at Kenton, represented by M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran.
- August 19—On this date an Emergent Communication of Grand Lodge was held in the Masonic Temple, Donald Street, for the purpose of my being installed as Grand Master. Installation Ceremonies were impressively conducted by M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan as Grand Installing Master ably assisted by R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein, Grand Director of Ceremonies. The solemnity of the ceremony coupled with my ability to again meet with my brethren made it an occasion that I shall always remember. I was particularly pleased to see most of my Grand Lodge Officers present, and a goodly number of Past Grand Lodge Officers. The presence of M.W. Bro. E. J. Franta, Grand Master of North Dakota was an unexpected pleasure. Also the presence of a number of our Senior Past Grand Masters made me feel highly honored. On this occasion M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (to whom I owe so much) presented me with a beautiful Gavel and it has been my pleasure to use it on all occasions where I have officially presided.

September 3—Constitution and Consecration of Friendship Lodge No. 165 at Fort Garry. As most of the brethren of this new lodge were known to me personally, and I to them, the ceremonies of the evening seemed to take on a deeper significance than usual and at the conclusion I am sure all present felt that the foundation of this new lodge had been truly laid in the spirit of Brotherhood.

September 5—Beaver Lodge No. 139, Mrs. Gray and myself spent a social evening with this Lodge when they honored the brethren and their wives from Euclid Lodge No. 198, Duluth, Minn.

October 26—Institution of Marquette Lodge U.D., Portage la Prairie. This was a unique occasion. The sponsoring Lodge, Assiniboine No. 7 was one of the two lodges originally operating in this area, the other being Marquette No. 21. Conditions compelled them to amalgamate and the name Marquette was forfeited. The Portage brethren are determined that Marquette Lodge will have a bright and prosperous future. In this we heartily agree.

November 3—"The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114, Annual Canadian Night.

November 29—Memorial Service, Lisgar Lodge No. 2, Selkirk. An impressive Memorial Service was held to honor the memory of the late R.W. Bro. Robert M. Muckle and to dedicate an etched window in the Masonic Temple there which will constantly remind the lodge of this brother who did so much for Lisgar Lodge and Freemasonry.

December 10—Friendship Lodge No. 165.

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January 20—Institution of Menorah Lodge U.D., Masonic Temple, East Kildonan. At this Institution M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe and I were present in a dual capacity—as Grand Lodge Officers performing the Ceremony and as Charter Members of this new lodge, through the kindness of the brethren responsible for its formation. The paternal pride of the brethren of the sponsoring Lodge, Mount Sinai No. 143 and the enthusiasm of the Charter members of Menorah Lodge, gave every evidence that here in the making was a Lodge that would uphold the traditions of Freemasonry and be an asset to the Community.

January 24—Holy Trinity Church, Divine Service. At the kind invitation of the Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. H. L. Newton, the Winnipeg and surrounding Lodges showed their approval by attending the Service of Rededication in large numbers.

February 4—Northern Light Lodge No. 10.

February 5—Scottish Rite Annual Dinner and Dance, Fort Garry Hotel.

February 10—Convocation of Grand Chapter, R.A.M. Official Reception and Banquet and Dance.

February 15—Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3.

March 8—Windsor Lodge No. 138.

March 12—Tuscan Lodge No. 141.

March 17-18—Annual Communication, Grand Lodge of Minnesota, accompanied by M.W. Bros. Wm. Douglas and F. H. Blythe and the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson.

March 20—Acacia Lodge No. 111, Annual Ladies' Night and Dance.

March 24—Acacia Lodge No. 111.

March 25—Mount Sinai Lodge No. 143.

March 30—Crescent Lodge No. 103, Elm Creek. The brethren, with the aid of the Grand Librarian, M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly, prepared a very fitting ceremony to mark the Official opening of their new Temple. A number of brethren from the R.C.M.P. made the Flag Ceremony and presentation a colorful and memorable event. As I declared the Lodge Room Officially Open, I was presented with a large key, symbolic of an "open door to Crescent Lodge."

April 7—Stony Mountain Lodge No. 134, Canadian Night.

April 8—Shoal Lake Lodge No. 92.

April 9—Joint Meeting of the three Brandon Lodges. It has become custom for the three Brandon Lodges to have a combined meeting to which the Grand Master and his Officers are officially invited. The hospitality and fraternal good fellowship of the Brandon brethren make this one of the Masonic highlights of the year.

April 13—Kildonan Lodge No. 131.

April 14—Fort Garry Lodge No. 130, Past Masters' Night.

April 20—Temple Lodge No. 49, MacGregor. It was an unexpected pleasure to have the privilege of Officially declaring their new Temple open.

April 25—Divine Service, First Masonic District, Crescent-Fort Rouge United Church.

April 26—Empire Lodge No. 127.

April 28—70th Anniversary, Glenwood Lodge No. 27, Souris.

May 3—Ionic Lodge No. 25, Old Timers' Night.

May 5—Menorah Lodge U.D.

May 12—Lord Selkirk Lodge No. 137.

May 13—Beaver Lodge No. 139.

May 18—Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1.

May 20—75th Anniversary, King Solomon Lodge No. 8,
Morris.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

The Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Masters doubted the advisability of my attending the District Meetings, but had I been denied this pleasure I would have been greatly disappointed. I therefore attended all District Meetings and the Past Grand Masters, through their generosity gave the main address at nine of them. I herewith record the District Meetings and the Past Grand Masters to whom I am indebted:

1953

- Oct. 1—Seventh Masonic District, Virden, M.W. Bro.
M. S. Donovan.
- Oct. 2—Sixth Masonic District, Hartney, M.W. Bro.
G. A. McMorran.
- Oct. 8—Tenth Masonic District, Beausejour, M.W. Bro.
H. B. Donnelly.
- Oct. 9—Eighth Masonic District, Morris, M.W. Bro.
Wm. Douglas.
- Oct. 14—Fourth Masonic District, Manitou, M.W. Bro.
F. H. Blythe.
- Oct. 15—Third Masonic District, Holland, M.W. Bro.
W. C. McDonald.
- Oct. 22—Second Masonic District, McCreary, M.W. Bro.
S. H. Fahrni.
- Oct. 23—Fifth Masonic District, Strathclair, M.W. Bro.
C. E. Cole.
- Oct. 30—Ninth Masonic District, Minitonas, M.W. Bro.
F. H. Blythe.
- Nov. 30—First Masonic District, Winnipeg, Grand Master.

1954

- Jan. 29—Twelfth Masonic District, Winnipeg, Grand
Master.

Over the past few years there has been a general improvement in District Meetings. I believe the meetings of this year to equal and in some cases surpass those of former years. I do feel however, that the value of these meetings could be increased if each lodge, during the Masonic year would record such items on which they require clarification or could give information, and submit the items to the District Deputy Grand Master well in advance of his Meeting. In this way, he would have the opportunity of properly programming his meeting with greater benefit to all. The District Meeting, is primarily for District business but there appears to be a tendency to forget this.

This year the District Deputy Grand Masters have had a particularly busy year. Their normal duties have been increased by the inspection of new Temples, changing of lodge premises, formation of new lodges, and the supervision of the Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund. To each, I wish to express my sincere appreciation of their efforts and loyalty—truly they have been worthy representatives of the Grand Master in their respective Districts.

LODGES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE M.W. GRAND MASTER

On June 29th, forty-three Grand Lodge Officers and brethren entrained on what has become known as "The Northern Trip" and visited Fort Prince of Wales Lodge No. 161 at Churchill, The Pas Lodge No. 124 at The Pas and Flin Flon Lodge No. 153 at Flin Flon. All three Lodges are under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Master. I am again indebted to M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe for representing me on these visits and to R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson, Grand Secretary, for his planning of the trip.

On March 25th accompanied by the Grand Secretary, we went by air to Rice Lake Lodge No. 157 at Bissett.

The above mentioned lodges in spite of the handicaps and isolation of some, are prosperous and progressive. Masonic Light seems to be their quest and some of our best informed Masons are to be found in these Lodges.

AREA MEETINGS

Three Area Meetings were held this Spring and the following Lodges acted as hosts:

April 23—Carman Lodge No. 155, Carman.

April 29—Woodworth Lodge No. 166, Kenton.

April 30—Roblin Lodge No. 122, Roblin.

At all meetings attendance was good in spite of the extremely bad weather. It makes one wonder if the accommodations would have been adequate had the weather been more favorable. I wish to thank the brethren who took active part in the programmes of these meetings. Their efforts made them highly successful.

At Roblin, I was asked to Officially Open their new Temple, in performing this pleasant duty, I was assisted by M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly.

BANFF CONFERENCE

September 10-11, R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans, Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett, Senior Grand Warden and R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson, Grand Secretary, were the delegates to the Banff Conference representing Manitoba. R.W. Bro. Emmett graciously accepted the paper originally assigned to me and those who have read the proceedings of this Conference will agree that our brethren made a worthwhile contribution.

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE

Feb. 22-3—By authorization of the Board of General Purposes, R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson and I were delegates to the Grand Masters' and Grand Secretaries' Conferences of North America in Washington, D.C. Time and space will not permit my recording here the program and the full extent of my impressions, yet I must report that it was a Masonic experience I will not soon forget. In a matter of hours, delegates gathered in one central point from a large portion of the Masonic World. Up to this time the names of distinguished brethren, the countries and Grand Lodges they represented made good reading, but now I was to meet them face to face and discuss intimately with them, some of the Masonic conditions throughout the world. Since my return, it has caused me to continually wonder if our type of Freemasonry has the strength and fortitude to withstand oppressions and difficulties in the manner our brethren abroad seem to meet them. If I have gained nothing else from this

Conference it has impressed me very vividly with the fact that a Mason in Peru, in the Philippines or any country abroad with whom we are in friendly relation, is my Masonic brother just as surely as is a brother of my own lodge, and my obligation binds me to consider his welfare. I am pleased that the Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund was instituted, because to me it gives concrete proof that our brethren are becoming adult in their Masonic thinking.

PRESENTATION OF FIFTY-YEAR JEWELS

Of all the pleasures that come to a Grand Master, none are more satisfying than the presentation of Fifty-year Jewels to those veterans of the Craft who have served a half-century or more in its service. Each time, it re-affirms and strengthens my faith in the goodness of Masonry and I swell with pride that they have set us a high standard by their example:

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- Sept. 1—Bro. Frederick Albert Clarke, "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114. Presented by M.W. Bro. N. J. Black.
- Oct. 1—R.W. Bro. Arthur Bertram Stuart, Lebanon Lodge No. 43, presented at a meeting of Estevan Lodge No. 25, Sask.
- Oct. 2—Bro. John Duncan Millar, Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1 (at his home).
- Oct. 6—Bro. James Boyd Buchanan, Favel Lodge No. 126, presented by W. Bro. J. A. Mitchell.
- Oct. 8—W. Bro. Frederick W. Jones, Shiloh Lodge No. 70, presented by M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald.
- Oct. 26—Bro. Alex. T. Liddle, Ionic Lodge No. 25, presented by W. Bro. G. N. Ledger (in B.C.).
- Oct. 26—Bro. George A. T. Leckie, Empire Lodge No. 127, presented by R.W. Bro. A. S. McCann.
- Oct. 26—Bro. John Thos. Steeves, Empire Lodge No. 127, presented by R.W. Bro. A. S. McCann.
- Nov. 2—W. Bro. James Perry, Ionic Lodge No. 25, presented by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.

- Nov. 2—Bro. Samuel J. Wallace, Ionic Lodge No. 25,
presented by R.W. Bro. R. McGregor (Seaforth,
Ont.).
- Nov. 3—M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt, "The Assiniboine"
Lodge No. 114, presented by M.W. Bro. Harry
H. Gray.
- Nov. 19—Bro. Walter M. Scott, Northern Light Lodge No.
10, presented by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.

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- Feb. 4—Bro. James Wilson, Northern Light Lodge No. 10,
presented by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.
- Feb. 15—Bro. Donald H. Bain, Ancient Landmark Lodge
No. 3, presented by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.
- Feb. 15—Bro. James S. Henderson, Ancient Landmark
Lodge No. 3, presented by M.W. Bro. Harry
H. Gray.
- Feb. 15—Bro. William J. Dodds, Ancient Landmark Lodge
No. 3, presented by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.
- Feb. 19—Bro. Henry A. Carman, Ancient Landmark Lodge
No. 3, presented by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.
- Feb. 22—Bro. Adam Crossley, Prince of Wales Lodge No.
14, presented by R.W. Bro. G. A. Eakins.
- Feb. 26—R.W. Bro. Hubert A. Croll, Glenwood Lodge
No. 27, presented by M.W. Bro. G. A. Mc-
Morran.
- Mar. 10—Bro. Alexander F. Forsyth, St. James Lodge No.
121, presented by W. Bro. M. G. McKenzie.
- Mar. 13—W. Bro. Ira Mayhew, Wawanesa Lodge No. 67,
presented by M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran.
- Mar. 15—R.W. Bro. Herbert J. Jones, Elkhorn Lodge No.
74, presented by R.W. Bro. J. McCorkindale.
- Apr. 13—Bro. Robert Allan Garland, Carberry Lodge No.
29, presented by M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole.
- May 3—W. Bro. Norman H. Neill, Ionic Lodge No. 25,
presented by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.
- May 3—Bro. Frank Thoms, Ionic Lodge No. 25, presented
by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.

May 3—Bro. William James Ralph, Ionic Lodge No. 25,
presented by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.

May 25—R.W. Bro. Harold E. Mitchell, Wawanesa Lodge
No. 67, presented by M.W. Bro. G. A. Mc-
Morran.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

To fill vacancies caused by various reasons, I have recommended to the Grand Masters of the Grand Lodges concerned, the appointment of the following brethren as Grand Representatives:

Grand Lodge of Argentina.....Commission not yet received.
R.W. Bro. J. Ferguson Irwin, Neepawa.

Grand Lodge of Connecticut.....January 26th, 1954.
W. Bro. Normal C. Law, Winnipeg.

Grand Lodge of Cuba.....March 16th, 1954.
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White, Winnipeg.

United Grand Lodge of England
.....Commission not yet received.
M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan, Brandon.

Grand Lodge of West Virginia.....May 10th, 1954
W. Bro. B. Stuart Parker, Winnipeg.

I have also been pleased to approve the appointment of the following brethren as Grand Representatives of Manitoba near other Grand Jurisdictions:

Grand Lodge of Alberta.....March 19th, 1954.
M.W. Bro. Wm. H. Jackson.

Grand Lodge of Argentina.....April 21st, 1954.
W. Bro. Cesar De Madariaga.

Grand Lodge of Georgia.....October 5th, 1953.
W. Bro. H. Sol Clark.

Grand Lodge of Kentucky.....October 15th, 1953.
R.W. Bro. F. W. Gallagher.

York Grand Lodge of Mexico.....May 15th, 1954.
W. Bro. Harold S. Golding.

Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island. June 20th, 1953.
R.W. Bro. Frank S. Myers.

Grand Lodge of South Australia..... May 13th, 1954.
V.W. Bro. H. C. Souter.

In the past year some of our Grand Representatives have been pleased to bring to my attention the fact that they have made very pleasant contacts with brethren of the Grand Lodges they represent. It is the desire of this Grand Lodge that greater numbers should seek such relationships.

MASONIC BROTHERHOOD DISASTER FUND

May I record with grateful thanks the work of this Committee under the Chairmanship of R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett. During the course of these sessions, he will report to you the extent to which we have been successful in realizing our objective.

Many brethren have contributed to this Fund and it has been little or no sacrifice, nevertheless, I sincerely thank them. But to those of our brethren who in their willingness to help others have denied themselves of something that may possibly have better sustained them in their old age, I can only say God bless you. We have been pleasantly surprised with the ready response of Manitoba brethren now living outside our borders and to them, we are most grateful.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The success of the Service of Rededication held in Winnipeg during the month of January makes it worthy of continuation and I so recommend.

I also recommend that a system be instituted between the Lodges and the Committees of Grand Lodge for the purpose of filing edicts, rulings, regulations, bulletins and such information and instruction that is necessary for the guidance and instruction of the Worshipful Master, his Officers and their successors.

I would also suggest that all Masonic events of significance such as Anniversaries, Birthday Parties and special events be reported to the Grand Lodge Librarian or the Committee on Research and Education with programmes and details of

planning. In this way the work and ingenuity of the brethren of one lodge will materially assist the brethren of other lodges.

Please bear in mind that the Grand Master, his Officers and members of the Board of General Purposes are servants of the members of this Jurisdiction; any individual, delegation or lodge has the right to make representation to them through the Grand Secretary, on any subject, at any time. It is regrettable that items of relatively small importance should be the means of causing dissatisfaction and misunderstanding when the Masonic privilege is yours to prevent this very thing, by proper representation.

It is apparent that some of our lodges are not requesting Fifty-year Jewels for their eligible members. This is a matter that should receive prompt attention as it means so much to the recipient.

APPRECIATION AND CONCLUSION

To so many I owe so much for the rich Masonic experience which has been mine, and realize it would be useless folly for me to attempt to thank you all individually. Yet it would be unforgivable if I neglected to acknowledge the aid and assistance of those who have shared with me the responsibilities of the Grand Master. To the Elected and Appointed Grand Lodge Officers who have accompanied me throughout the Jurisdiction in fair weather and foul; to the Past Grand Masters—that stalwart body of men on whom I have leaned so heavily and profited so greatly by their advice and experience. To my family and business associates for their patience and understanding. To the District Deputy Grand Masters, Worshipful Masters, Past Masters, Wardens and brethren of the constituent lodges, I humbly acknowledge the debt I owe you. I especially wish to express my appreciation to that faithful and conscientious servant of this Grand Lodge, R.W. Bro. Thomas C. Jackson, Grand Secretary who has been my constant companion and daily counselor; to Miss Margaret Anderson and W. Bro. Gordon McKenzie of the Grand Lodge Office for their many courtesies and willingness to help. If this report reflects any measure of success, I am gratefully pleased, because without exception you have all had a part in it. May God bless you and please accept my sincere but humble thanks.

May I extend to you all, my best wishes for the years that lie ahead, and may our united efforts bring us much happiness in the practice of our Masonic Ideals.

"The year is closed; its record made
The last deed done, the last word said.
The memories alone remain
Of all its joys, its grief, its gain,
And now, with purpose firm and clear
We turn to meet another year."

At the conclusion of this Address, a standing ovation by all present showed the M.W. Grand Master how much they appreciated all his efforts for the Craft during his term in Office.

It was moved by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (7), seconded by M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald (70) that the Address of the M.W. Grand Master be referred to the Committee on the Grand Master's Address. Carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Grand Secretary drew the attention of the brethren to the Luncheon which would be held the next day at 12.30 p.m. under the auspices of the Past Masters' Association of Greater Winnipeg.

The Grand Secretary also reminded the brethren of the District Meetings which would be held, the First and Twelfth Masonic Districts at the close of this meeting, and the balance of the Districts at 9.00 a.m. the following morning.

M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158) announced that the newly-elected District Deputy Grand Masters would be installed the following evening, and he asked the retiring District Deputy Grand Masters to be present so each may invest his successor in Office.

ADJOURNMENT

Grand Lodge was then adjourned at 10.40 p.m. to reconvene at 10.30 a.m. the following morning.

Second Day

THURSDAY, JUNE 3rd, 1954

Morning Session

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor at 10.30 a.m. by the Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray.

M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni entered Grand Lodge to present and introduce R.W. Brother Bishop W. L. Wright, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada (In the Province of Ontario.)

The M.W. Grand Master, in welcoming this distinguished guest expressed pleasure that he was able to be present. It was unfortunate that weather conditions had prevented an earlier attendance but the only harm done was that our pleasure of meeting R.W. Brother Wright had been delayed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

"JURISPRUDENCE AND APPEALS"

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals, begs to report in the term now expiring this Committee has been called upon to do very little work.

The only serious question that came before your Committee, other than very minor questions which were answered by your Chairman, was whether

a Constituent Lodge had first to obtain the approval of the Board of General Purposes before the purchase or sale of real property. It appeared to your Committee after considering Section 13 of Chapter 123 of the Revised Statutes of Manitoba, 1924, as printed in the Constitution, that the consent of the Board was not necessary, but after investigating the matter further in conjunction with your Grand Secretary, it was found that the Section as printed in the Constitution had been taken from the Bill as presented to the Legislature and not as it had been finally passed after amendment in the Private Bills Committee and the Board was then advised that Constituent Lodges must obtain the approval of the Board of General Purposes before the purchase or sale of real property.

Your Grand Secretary and all the members of his office have shewn every courtesy to your Chairman and the members of his Committee during the past year.

Fraternally submitted
S. HART GREEN

This report was presented by the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3). It was moved by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), seconded by R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4) that it be adopted. Carried.

“CONDITION OF FREEMASONRY”

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Brethren, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes, through its Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry begs to submit the following report:

This Masonic year starting as it did with our Grand Master in the hospital so ill that visitors were not allowed, has progressed with joy and happiness. It was two and a half months after our Annual Communication before our Grand Master could be installed into Office. We see today, our beloved Grand Master enjoying good health and enriched by enforced rest and contemplation, and with the help of Past Grand Masters and other eminent brethren, he has been able to take, month by month, an increasingly prominent part of his duties. At the District Meetings and at other times when he required assistance, he called on his Officers to take part of the load—needless to say, each Officer gave of his best in effort and ability to fulfill his duties.

We give thanks to the G.A.O.T.U. for favors already received and pray that our M.W. Grand Master may enjoy many years of good health and happiness in the fellowship of a host of Freemasons and the filial affection of his family.

The Committee would direct your attention to the report of the Grand Secretary where will be found the statistical details of the activities of this Grand Jurisdiction in the past year. In this report will be found the information relative to returns from the constituent lodges and the summation of reports, which are essential for our knowledge that we may build for the future from the experience of past years.

Form No. 21, which is the Grand Lodge form used by District Deputy Grand Masters to report necessary essential information relative to each lodge, is in many instances, inconclusive and leaves the reviewer of the report wondering why more definite statements are not made, as constructive criticism is needed, or congratulations given for some outstanding accomplishment.

Examples from Form No. 21 which most frequently appear are:

1. Lodge books have not been audited.
2. Insurance is not carried or is not adequate in case of loss.
3. Lodge membership roll is not up to date.
4. Historical Register incomplete, in some instances not written up for many years.
5. No planning of meetings.
6. No programme of visitations and no planned nights when visitors are entertained.
7. Attendance at Grand Lodge neglected and in a few instances passed up entirely. One lodge absent from Grand Lodge Communication in 1952 and 1953, did not have a representative officer at the District Meeting in 1953.
8. Reports of the Grand Lodge Communication if given at all, are much too brief.

These are some of the defects which are most apparent, and should demand our serious consideration.

There are also very many projects practised by lodges in the Jurisdiction which are highly commendable and tend to create a much keener interest. These are of so varied a nature that they cannot be incorporated in this report, but all tend to develop Masonic teaching within the mind and personality of the individual. Suffice it to mention here that any activity, sponsored by a lodge, for the improvement of the mind and fulfill a desire for greater development in the minds of the brethren in the search for more light is being accomplished, in ways that are a credit to the lodges, and are beneficial to the Jurisdiction.

In consequence of the above mentioned situation, the Committee suggests that, as in the past few years, the District Deputy Grand Masters, newly-installed, attend the Instruction and Briefing School on the morning immediately after Grand Lodge. Attendance at this meeting should be obligatory as each is the personal representative of the Grand Master in his District and should know what his duties are, that he may correctly assume his responsibility.

District Meeting planning and build-up is a very important part of the work of a District Deputy Grand Master. The attendance, discussions and other educational features provided are in a very large degree dependent on the initiative, leadership, planning and co-operation which the District Deputy Grand Master creates in his own particular District.

Most District Meetings were well attended. The reports of the lodge Secretaries were again, in most Districts, summarized by the District Secretary. This has been done to save time but has been criticized in some instances as not giving a true picture of each constituent lodge's activity. If such lodge reports could be cut to five minutes reading time as was stated at one meeting, a much clearer picture of the function and work of the lodge would be procured. The educational features provided at the District Meetings are always well received. From a study of Districts in geographical and numerical strength it is apparent that Districts can be too large in each respect, for greatest benefits from District Meetings for each lodge. Your Committee therefore hopes that the most careful consideration be given to and approval of the report of the Special Committee on Redistribution of Districts. As families grow and move about yet hold basic filial attachments, so we, in a growing Masonic group must accept the inevitable changes that are necessary in our expanding development.

The Constituting of Friendship Lodge No. 165 and Woodworth Lodge No. 166, and the Instituting of Marquette Lodge U.D. and Menorah Lodge U.D. have been highlights in the year. Each Communication was well attended, the interest was keen, the work well done and the harmony and fellowship all that could be desired. Our Grand Master on each occasion carried out his official duties with dignity and poise, adding further credit to his own ability, and honor to the Fraternity.

Throughout the Jurisdiction, at the District Meetings and in the lodges under the direct care of the Grand Master, there is a fine feeling of friendly accord and the fraternal spirit is at a high level.

The Grand Master's addresses and those of assisting Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Masters were well received. Educational features, such as Quiz Programmes, explanations of the Constitution and informative talks, were productive of much good.

The Lodges Under Dispensation, Marquette at Portage la Prairie and Menorah in Winnipeg are proving their worth as well as justifying their Institution. Both Lodges are well officered; ceremonies are properly performed; the Fraternal spirit is very high; finances are sound and harmony prevails. The Committee takes pleasure in recommending that Charters be issued to these Lodges and that at the pleasure of the M.W. Grand Master they be Constituted as regular lodges.

The thanks of the Committee is expressed to the District Deputy Grand Masters for the good work done in the past year. Each has carried out his duties with a keen perception of the responsibilities of the Office. Each has proven his worth by a zealous devotion to duty; every lodge in the Jurisdiction has been visited and many on more than one occasion. All reports on Form No. 21 have been received, though some of these reports do not have enough information for the Committee to get a proper perspective of the condition Masonically, of each lodge.

Appreciation is expressed and tendered to our Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson and his staff for their work in co-operative assistance with the Committee throughout the past year.

We recommend that the following be granted the rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master in recognition of their efficient service:

First Masonic District.....	R.W. Bro. A. A. MacDonald
Second Masonic District.....	R.W. Bro. B. Angus
Third Masonic District.....	R.W. Bro. J. A. Sundell

Fourth Masonic District.....	R.W. Bro. N. H. Ashley
Fifth Masonic District.....	R.W. Bro. H. M. Mayhew
Sixth Masonic District.....	R.W. Bro. R. H. Gibson
Seventh Masonic District.....	R.W. Bro. C. Moore
Eighth Masonic District.....	R.W. Bro. W. J. Hamblin
Ninth Masonic District.....	R.W. Bro. J. E. Burnett
Tenth Masonic District.....	R.W. Bro. J. A. Longbottom
Twelfth Masonic District.....	R.W. Bro. A. E. Duff

It has come to the attention of this Committee that Brother Frederick G. Turner, who was elected Secretary of Transcona Lodge No. 123 in 1917 has continued to serve his Lodge in that Office to the present time. His Lodge feels that such outstanding service should be recognized. This Committee concurs and have so recommended to the Board of General Purposes.

All of which is fraternally submitted on behalf of the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry.

J. FERGUSON IRWIN

Chairman.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. J. F. Irwin (24), who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor (11). Carried.

“FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE”

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the
Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Correspondence fraternally submits its annual report on the Proceedings of other Grand Jurisdictions with which the Grand Lodge of Manitoba is in fraternal relations.

We hope that the items we have selected will afford the brethren in Manitoba a general idea of what is being done by their brethren in other parts of the world.

Masonic education is leading all other topics discussed by Grand Masters and Grand Lodge Committees and are giving more attention to the education of the newly made Masons, as well as to the older members.

Serious consideration should be given to the possibility of reclaiming demitted, unaffiliated and suspended members, we hope that something may be done in this matter.

In this report we have tried to bring to our brethren many of the questions that have been on the minds of various Grand Masters and trust that the brethren will find much to interest them.

Fraternally submitted,

H. M. KERR,
Chairman

This report was presented by the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3) who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein (141). Carried.

GREETINGS FROM DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

R.W. Brother Bishop W. L. Wright brought hearty Masonic felicitations from M.W. Brother Joseph A. Hearn, Grand Master and all the brethren of the Grand Lodge of Canada (in the Province of Ontario). He also expressed his personal thanks for the many acts of kindness extended to him since his arrival. He said his Grand Lodge would be celebrating their Centenary in 1955 and he extended a warm welcome to any who could visit with them at that time. He pointed out that as a Churchman, he wished to emphasize that while Masonry was a form of morality it was not a religion. However, he concluded "but to be a good Mason one must be a good churchman, and as long as we live up to this, we cannot help but be better Masons and consequently better men."

PRESENTATION OF COMMISSION

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray presented to M.W. Brother W. H. Jackson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, his Commission as the Representative of this Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Alberta, and in doing so said how pleased he was to be able to make a personal presentation to a member of a daughter Grand Lodge.

GREETINGS FROM DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

M.W. Bro. W. H. Jackson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, thanked M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray for

his appointment and for the personal presentation of his Commission. He said, like the brethren in Manitoba, the brethren in Alberta were greatly concerned a year ago regarding the health of M.W. Brother Gray but he was happy now to see him restored to health and on the job assigned to him this year. Like Manitoba, we have a far-flung Jurisdiction as we have a lodge at Yellowknife, N.W.T. 200 miles from the Arctic Circle and it is thrilling to find Freemasonry being practiced so eminently by our brethren in these far away places. "I often wonder" he said, "if we appreciate our membership in the Craft, because if we are to retain the advanced position we hold today, we must be true to the great Principles of the Order. If we lose sight of our objective, we will blunder in the morass of uncertainty. The future lies in returning to the Faith of our Fathers, showing in private life and public service what Masonry means and the type of citizen it produces." He concluded, "if all Freemasons would practice what they preach, what a difference it could make, as only men of good will can bring Good Will to the world."

M.W. Brother R. L. Hanbidge, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan brought his personal greetings and the greetings of the members of his Grand Lodge and our daughter Grand Lodge. He said he too was delighted to see M.W. Brother Gray had recovered from his illness and once more was in good health. On behalf of his wife and for his own cordial welcome and most hospitable treatment, he expressed his sincere and most grateful thanks.

M.W. Bro. Hugh M. Reid, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Virginia in opening his remarks said, he could not help but notice the reference to Mother and Daughter Grand Lodges, as in his case, the Grand Lodge of Virginia had no Mother Grand Lodge, but was a hybrid from English, Scottish and Pennsylvania Jurisdiction Lodges. For the first time a Grand Master of Virginia coming to Canada, had gone west of Ontario, and it was a delightful experience to visit with us. Although Irish by birth, he had for many years been a resident of Virginia. "If a man comes from Virginia he will tell you so within three minutes of your first conversation with him," he said, "if he does not come from there, don't embarrass him by asking his native State." He continued by remarking "that he liked to think of Masonry as a very simple thing and not at all complicated. There is nothing complicated about the Brotherhood of Man and the Fatherhood of God. It is a very clear, concise and simple

idea. There is no need to change our basic fundamentals," he concluded, "this combats the arguments that Masonry must change with a changing world. If we are to go ahead, we must cling to our ancient landmarks and usages."

ADJOURNMENT

Grand Lodge adjourned at 12.00 Noon to enable the brethren to attend the Luncheon given under the auspices of the Past Masters' Association of Greater Winnipeg.

GRAND LODGE LUNCHEON

A Complimentary Luncheon was provided for the out-of-town brethren and distinguished guests by the Past Masters' Association of Greater Winnipeg, supported by the majority of the lodges comprising the Greater Winnipeg Area.

Luncheon was served at 12.30 p.m. with the President of the Past Masters' Association, W. Bro. B. Stuart Parker (4) in the Chair. W. Bro. Percy Houston (138) introduced the guest speaker, M.W. Brother Edward J. Franta, Immediate Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, who gave the following address:

"WE WALK TOGETHER"

You go to your church, and I'll go to mine—but let's walk together.

Ever since I saw that simple statement on a wall calendar, hanging in a dingy little restaurant, the significance of that remark as a broad statement of Masonic principle has grown upon me.

Isn't it all there, brethren—the command to acknowledge our belief in God, “You go to your church”—the individual confession of faith, “I'll go to mine”—and the one thing that makes Masonry so different and so enduring—We Walk Together.

It is an undeniable and perhaps regrettable truth that while our belief in God unites us, it is our belief about God, which is religion, that separates us.

It is very fortunate, Brethren, whether you have realized it or not, that Masonry grew to its maturity in those days before religions started to tear the world apart. It may sound startling to say that it is religions that have pushed the world to the brink of what may be catastrophe, but I see it no other way.

A great deal has been said—countless charges have been hurled against Russia and Communism. All of the God-loving part of the world fears the growing domination of the Godless Kremlin. But God's children, for all their organization in churches, religions, denominations and creeds are leaving the fight against Communism to politicians. The politicians, as ever, must so much govern every act as it might affect their re-election, that they cannot do an honest job of fighting anything.

It is my firm conviction that the fight against Communism is a religious war, not a political campaign. Figure it out for yourselves. Communism isn't too much different in its governmental objectives from any other political system. The primary objective of every political system, be it Liberal or Conservative—Republican or Democrat—is to perpetuate itself in power. That and not much more is the political purpose of the Communist movement. While none of us can in any way subscribe to its political expediency, we shudder at the realization of its effectiveness.

The big difference between Communism and the Masonic way of life, Brethren, is not in political philosophy. Far greater than the difference in political and governmental processes is the relative position of God in Russia and in Our World. We look to God for strength, inspiration and love. To us God is everything. Communism denies God and places its faith in the might of material things. That's the difference, and politicians as such do not realize the significance of that difference. That's the difference, my Brothers, and that difference must be erased by those who know God, and not by those who are seeking votes.

If the people of our World would unite in their fidelity to God—in their faith—instead of trying to march God at the head of each of their particular religious denominations—they could bring light and more light to people all over the world.

Throughout the years nations have spread the light of civilization by sending merchant princes to the far corners—and too often following the tradesmen with armies. Never have we done a job of spreading the love of God as Masons know it.

I do not belittle the work of countless missionaries. In almost every instance theirs were enormous personal contributions, expending many years and even entire lifetimes. The financial contributions and well-wishes with which we have supported them are not worthy of mention as sacrifices. But all the heroic works of these good people were not much more than denominational charities. It is entirely possible that some beneficiary might have contact with two missionaries and might even be led to believe that they represented two different Gods. Never have the children of God been united enough in the one basic landmark of their religions to transmit their faith effectively. Individuals may teach individuals or even groups of individuals, but it takes nations to teach nations.

I shudder, brothers, to think of what the vast majority of the people of the world think of our part of the world. After all, most of the people of the world are neither believers in God nor Communists. The uncounted millions of Asia and Africa could easily make the world's decision between God and the power of mere man and material things. If they make their decision now between our world and Communism, it will be made on a political basis and will lead to nothing but continuing turmoil. The decision must be made by choosing between God and the might of men and material things.

Today those who merely watch the struggle between those on the side of God and their adversaries can hardly recognize the difference. They see armies and politicians vying in many parts of the world. Until those who watch can recognize the influence of God on our side, they are very likely to see only the undeniable fact that the side which had repudiated God is gaining in strength and power.

Communism has a potent argument in the fact that it once was a part of God's world, but has outgrown that philosophy. It can claim to have progressed beyond belief in God, and may even make it seem that it has been progress. On the other hand, those who watch, if they watch us to learn what difference is made by belief in God, will see that it seems to make more differences than anything else. These differences, not in God, but in the man-made dogmas which make our religions so different, cause a disunity in our world which must be overcome if we are ever to find the road to peace.

No greater shame can come to our religions under God, in these days when the future of the world is at stake, than the results of such disunity. Church leaders of all denominations, who in their periodic legislative conclaves, make more rules and formulate more dogma to make it harder for Our World to get together, are responsible for the disunity that has grown so marked that even our popular magazines are finding that most attractive features are those about religious denominations, pointing out how they are different from other creeds, some even detailing what those of one denomination don't like and fear in another denomination.

Not very long ago in the small North Dakota town where I was reared and where my mother still lives, the community was ripped wide open into two religious factions at municipal election time, all over the showing of the motion picture, "Martin Luther," at the local theatre. We all agreed that the picture should be shown, that every theatre operator should be free to show it.

Not too long ago, in a discussion with a Manitoba brother about the over-emphasis on religious denominationalism, he remarked, "Oh, we aren't bothered with that kind of stuff." Not as a flat contradiction of our good brother, but merely as an observation, I say that if it happens in one province it may very probably sometime happen in another province in these days of merging populations, facilitated by far-flung economic interest, easy transportation and quick communication. Is not over-emphasis on religious denominationalism obvious in the edict of the Film Censorship Board of the Province of Quebec which banned the showing of the "Martin Luther" film, not only in commercial theaters, but even in churches for the benefit of their own membership?

How in the world will disunity like that ever win against a common enemy?

I can understand why there may be honest differences of opinion about methods, but it is beyond understanding how those differences can be permitted to grow to such proportions that the fundamental purpose of all religions is obscured. To my mind, this exhibition of disunity is aiding in the sabotage of the strength, power and influence of God in this world. Unity is much more important in our struggle for the survival of the soul of man than the preservation of minor dogmatic differences. We must put religion ahead of politics and religion must put God ahead of dogma.

The religions of Our World must put emphasis on their basic affirmations, rather than on clerical garb, ritualistic ceremonies, and promotional activities that may be conceived more for the purpose of perpetuating administrative dynasties than for the glorification of God. All religions believe in God. They affirm the divinity of the Holy Scriptures. They anticipate the ultimate reign of justice on earth. They affirm the improbability of human nature. They have confidence in the imperishability of the human soul.

Well, you might say, that's Masonry!

True, Brethren, that is Masonry. But when I came to that conclusion in my thinking on this subject, which has been bothering me a great deal for several years, I didn't come to the conclusion that Masonry must save the world. Neither did I conclude that Masonry must send missionaries to spread the true light to the far corners.

Before I tell you what I think we should do today and tomorrow, let me take one minute to remind you of what happened yesterday.

Nothing has caused more trouble in the modern world than appeasement, which always turns out to be no more than an attempt at appeasement. The aggressor has never been stopped by appeasement. You are all familiar with historic appeasements that led to disaster or near-disaster in political negotiations and military conflict. Appeasement in the Korean incident didn't stop anything except shooting in one particular sector. It released those guns to kill in another area. The latest appeasement effort at Geneva failed even before it started.

The appeasement that signalled to Communism that Our World would yield at every crucial stage happened at San Francisco at the first meeting of the United Nations in 1945, when Our World cast God aside to appease the Russians.

There was no appeal for Divine guidance at that meeting, nor is prayer ever offered at a meeting of the United Nations.

Isn't it shameful appeasement that even when a room, really intended for prayer, is provided in the United Nations building, Our World concedes again by calling it a Meditation room, making it perfectly proper for the Communist renegades to do their Godless conniving in the only small room in a world of a building where God might give guidance to those who so sorely need it? That's the pitiful situation we find ourselves in, Brethren—God was not invited in when he was most needed.

You and I can't save the world today. Neither can the Grand Lodge of Manitoba nor all of Masonry. But every Mason has full confidence that God can make all things right, and I know that it wouldn't take Him long. In Masonry we walk together, and the one thing that keeps us together, regardless of religious, political and life's competitive differences is our belief in God.

If the nations in Our World would only walk together in the same all-important faith that unites Masons, Communism would fade into an unpleasant memory like others that have scourged the world in ages past.

It is my positive contention that if Communism had not been appeased at San Francisco in 1945—if our countries had insisted that God be invited—the satellite countries, before they were as completely absorbed as today, would have made any sacrifice necessary to be on God's side. The satellites would have found unbelievable strength if we had supported them, right at that time, with faith in God, rather than ever since with propaganda broadcasts and leaflets.

A world religion is not the answer. The decay of Godliness in countries with state or dominant religions proves that. Italy has a dominant religion and only 17 per cent of its people attend church. Norway has a state religion and less than 10 per cent of its people attend church. Every person in the world is entitled to worship under any creed he chooses. The world will always be better with freedom of worship, but the world's troubles will never be cured until all men put their faith in God first and confine their denominational dogmas to their personal religious lives.

It's getting pretty late, but I still have confidence that the entire complexion of the world situation would change if at the next session and every session of the United Nations, some Masonically inspired man would offer a sincere prayer

to God. True, we could not lay down our arms tomorrow, nor dispense with our diplomatic corps, but we would be happy and proud of their achievements in the name of God.

The most decisive battles of history always are fought on the inner battlefield. Even in a war, behind the outer clash of armies is the quiet debate in the councils of the strategists. Behind the lawyer's stirring plea and victory in public court are his unseen decisions in his private thinking. Behind a great career that moves the world are inner struggles that make no noise.

Behind the character of Our World are the chambers in the hearts of men, with the doors shut, where souls pray. And there, on that inner battlefield, where every one of us must fight together, drafted without exception for this war—the long-term issues of today's world will be decided.

We do not pray for victory in a religious war, because there would be no war as Communism's mere men are faced by God. Our incomparable unity of purpose would become the most irresistible force the world has ever known. Those who watch would see us walk together and would walk with us.

The Marco Polos failed. The Caesars and Napoleons failed. The Churchills and Dulleses are failing. God as Masonry knows Him, will not fail.

World peace is not created by laws nor treaties, it is not bought, even with the necessary commodities of life. It cannot be won in wars.

World peace will come only when strong men say to the world—"We Walk Together—With God."

W. Bro. Allan J. Ryckman (1) thanked the guest speaker for such a fine and inspiring address.

W. Bro. B. Stuart Parker, President of the Association proposed the Toast to the M.W. Grand Master and in doing so said he would like to break away from tradition, and toast not the Office which is customary, but to toast the Grand Master as an individual, a friend of so many who were present. The Grand Master had recovered his health after a time of great stress, while still presiding at the Grand Lodge

Sessions was under a certain strain and he suggested that we relieve the Grand Master from an Official response. The toast was taken, wish best wishes to the Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray, who gratefully acknowledged it.

Bro. Kerr Wilson entertained the gathering with some fine solos, with the gathering participating in the choruses.

R.W. Bro. Donald McDonald (117) thanked the Past Masters' Association and through them, the Host Lodges for the fine luncheon and hospitality, for the very fine Address and the enjoyable time, had by all.

THURSDAY, JUNE 3rd, 1954

Afternoon Session

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor by the Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray at 2.30 p.m.

HONORARY RANK—R.W. BROTHER THOMAS C. JACKSON

M.W. Brother F. H. Blythe (93) presented the following Resolution:

Brethren:

Freemasonry is quick to pay tribute to long service brethren and equally quick to reward merit, and Distinguished Service to the Craft.

R.W. Brother Thomas C. Jackson brought to the Office of Grand Secretary a lifetime of commercial experience, a deep affection for Freemasonry, and an earnest desire to be of service to this Grand Jurisdiction.

This has resulted in better administration of Grand Lodge affairs, closer harmony between the Secretaries of constituent Lodges and Grand Lodge. His wide knowledge of the Constitution and a talent for organizing has placed him in the ranks of Veteran Grand Secretaries.

It is our earnest prayer that he may long be spared to serve this Grand Lodge. As an expression of our appreciation for the outstanding service rendered this Grand Lodge, by R.W. Bro. Thomas C. Jackson, I offer this motion:

MOTION RE HONORARY RANK

One of the Constitutional privileges of this Grand Lodge is that of conferring upon brethren who have rendered distinguished service to the Craft, Honorary Rank in this Grand Jurisdiction.

It is, therefore, with great pleasure that I now move THAT THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA, A.F. & A.M., DO HEREBY CONFERR UPON RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER THOMAS CYRIL JACKSON THE RANK OF HONORARY PAST GRAND MASTER OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Bro. Blythe moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (7). Carried.

The Grand Secretary was then admitted to the Grand Lodge room and while standing at the Altar the M.W. Grand Master announced the action just taken by Grand Lodge and addressed the Grand Secretary in his new rank of "Most Worshipful Brother."

M.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson, deeply moved by this unanticipated action by Grand Lodge found it hard to express his thanks. In his 38 years of membership he felt that any Masonic rank which had come from his Lodge and Jurisdiction had been earned, and while he thanked the brethren from the bottom of his heart, he felt he was now being honored with something he had not earned.

In commenting on M.W. Bro. Jackson's expression of thanks, the M.W. Grand Master said he could not agree with the latter remark of our new "Most Worshipful Brother"—in his opinion, the honor was rightly earned and he was proud to be the Grand Master who had the privilege to confirm it.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

"INVESTMENTS"

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Brethren,
Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Investments begs to report that during the year ended March 31st, 1954, the par value of Bond Investments of Grand Lodge were increased by \$25,500.00, by the purchase of:

Government of Canada Bonds 3% Maturing May 1, 1957.....	\$ 3,400.00
Government of Canada Bonds 3% Maturing June 1, 1959.....	5,000.00
Government of Canada Bonds 3% Maturing Feb. 1, 1962.....	5,000.00
Government of Canada Bonds 3% Maturing Oct. 1, 1963.....	7,600.00
Government of Canada Bonds 3% Maturing Sept. 1, 1966.....	5,000.00
Ontario Hydro Electric 4% Bonds Maturing Apr. 15, 1968.....	8,000.00
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	\$34,000.00

Less;

By redemption on maturity of Canadian National Railway Bonds.....	\$8,000.00	
Canadian Government Bonds.....	500.00	
		<u>8,500.00</u>
		\$25,500.00
Funds for investment were made available as follows:		
Donations from Constituent Lodges and individual brethren.....	\$ 1,692.00	
Disaster Fund.....	22,305.25	
War Effort Fund.....	752.00	
		<u>\$24,749.25</u>

Respectfully submitted,

N. J. BLACK,

Chairman

Committee on Investments.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. N. J. Black (3) who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1). Carried.

“FINANCE”

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members,
Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Finance begs to submit the following report:

Your Committee on Finance, during the past year has carefully supervised all matters pertaining to the General Fund of Grand Lodge. Meetings were held regularly each month to check and authorize payment of all accounts presented through the Grand Secretary.

Balance of Income and Expenditure as at March 31st, 1954, is as follows:

Income Budgeted.....	\$27,740.00
Income Actual.....	26,456.63
Expenditures Budgeted.....	32,255.00
Expenditures Actual.....	27,921.60
Surplus as at March 31st, 1953.....	25,095.87
Surplus as at March 31st, 1954.....	26,033.84
Excess of Expenditure over Income.....	1,464.97

This year, it was necessary to have a revision and reprint of a number of our standard forms and also to replace our stock of Constitutions. Due to the increased cost of this latter printing, the sale price to our Constituent Lodges has necessarily been increased, and is now \$13.80 per dozen or \$1.25 per copy.

The Committee felt, to properly protect Grand Lodge, the Public Liability Insurance should be increased, which matter having authorization, has been completed. The Committee was of the opinion that an "honorarium" to our Grand Secretary was not sufficient consideration of the great amount of work he is doing, and therefore at their suggestion, the Board of General Purposes authorized a suitable increase—it also authorized an increase in salary to Miss Anderson.

We wish to convey our grateful thanks to our Grand Secretary for his untiring and painstaking attention to every detail in his Office. The duties in the Office appear to be efficiently conducted and all records to which it was necessary to refer are well kept.

We also wish to convey our thanks to the staff for their co-operation and assistance at all times.

The Budget, showing the approximate Income and Expenditure for the year 1954-1955 is attached to and forms part of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN P. MOWAT,
Chairman.

BUDGET 1954-1955

INCOME

	Estimated 1953-54	Actual 1953-54	Estimated 1954-55
Dues.....	\$22,000.00	\$21,803.75	\$22,300.00
Initiations.....	1,400.00	1,386.00	1,300.00
Master Mason Certificates.....	1,400.00	1,436.00	1,300.00
Life Membership Certificates.....	100.00	128.00	100.00
Past Master Certificates.....	90.00	103.50	100.00
Dispensations.....	150.00	207.00	175.00
Bond Interest.....	300.00	300.00	300.00
Benevolent Fund Administration Fee.....	300.00	300.00	300.00
Stock.....	2,000.00	1,060.63	300.00
Fidelity Bonds.....		31.75	
	<hr/> \$27,740.00	<hr/> \$26,756.63	<hr/> \$26,175.00

EXPENDITURE

Salaries.....	\$ 9,700.00	\$ 9,715.00	\$ 9,800.00
Grand Lodge Communications—Proceedings.....	1,300.00	1,347.00	1,500.00
Other Expenses.....	2,000.00	1,791.37	2,000.00
Constitution and Consecrations.....	300.00	78.41	75.00
Masonry in Manitoba.....	2,650.00	2,453.51	2,900.00
Annuities.....	500.00	497.52	520.00
Library.....	1,600.00	1,394.10	1,600.00
Stock (Supplies).....	2,000.00		
Rent.....	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Grand Master.....	1,000.00	1,099.97	1,000.00
Grand Secretary and G. L. Officers.....	1,500.00	346.29	500.00

EXPENDITURE—Cont.

Re Lodges Under the Grand Master.....	500.00	332.50	500.00
Board Meetings.....	800.00	950.82	800.00
Area Meetings.....	1,200.00	1,147.31	900.00
Stationery and Office Expenses.....	1,000.00	879.81	800.00
Regalia.....	1,500.00	1,215.80	300.00
Conferences: Banff.....	400.00	389.25	400.00
Washington.....	400.00	509.06	
All-Canada.....			350.00
Furniture and Fixtures.....	200.00		200.00
Audit.....	400.00	400.00	400.00
Postage and Express.....	475.00	461.68	600.00
Life Membership Certificates.....		59.40	
Master Mason Certificates.....	200.00	251.41	275.00
Past Master Certificates.....			
Donation—Elgin Lodge No. 86.....		75.25	
Telephone and Telegraph.....	165.00	156.67	165.00
Masonic Relief Association.....	110.00	107.20	115.00
Fifty-year Jewels.....	125.00	275.00	300.00
Insurance.....	150.00	150.92	250.00
Christmas Expense.....	100.00		100.00
Unemployment Insurance.....	80.00	101.66	105.00
Committees:			
Research and Education.....	50.00	234.97	100.00
Condition of Freemasonry.....	60.00		100.00
Correspondence.....	25.00		15.00
Benevolence.....	50.00		50.00
Exchange.....	40.00	35.49	40.00
Safety Deposit Box.....	25.00	25.00	25.00
Miscellaneous.....	150.00	189.23	175.00
	<u>\$32,255.00</u>	<u>\$28,221.60</u>	<u>\$28,460.00</u>
Estimated Income.....			26,175.00
To be taken from Surplus.....			\$ 2,285.00

This report was presented by R. W. Bro. W. Percy White (4), who moved its adoption seconded by R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein (141). Carried.

DECLARATION OF CLOSE OF BALLOT

At this point, the M.W. Grand Master stated it was 3.00 p.m. and he declared the ballot closed.

PRESENTATION OF FIFTY-YEAR JEWELS

R.W. Bro. David Rothstein, Grand Director of Ceremonies was requested to present at the Grand East, those brethren who were to be presented with Fifty-year Jewels.

Bro. John Daniel Millar, Stonewall Lodge No. 12—Initiated February 9th, 1904.

Bro. James Arkle, Sturgeon Creek Lodge No. 145—Initiated May 26th, 1904.

Bro. Thomas Wallace, Transcona Lodge No. 123—Initiated Nov. 18th, 1903.

Bro. Hugh Chambers, Beaver Lodge No. 139—Initiated Aug. 19th, 1903.

In acknowledging the presence of these brethren, the Grand Master M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray said he was so pleased one of his last duties was the presentation of these Fifty-year Jewels, honoring these brethren each of whom has completed over a half-century of Masonic Service. "You," he said "now join a select group who have set an example that we who follow are trying to emulate. This is a jewel I know you will wear proudly as a mark in your Masonic career, and I am sure the brethren of Grand Lodge would want me to say to you, we honor you this day and wish you long life, health and happiness while you wear your Jewel."

Grand Honors were then accorded these Masonic veterans after which they resumed their seats.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

"CONSTITUTION AND REVISION"

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on Constitution and Revision submits the following report:

At the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge held in the month of June, 1953, a large number of amendments to the Constitution were pro-

posed and the majority thereof were passed by Grand Lodge. Following these amendments there was a reprinting of the Constitution and your committee has endeavored to curtail the number of amendments thereto during the current year.

To the knowledge of your committee there has been only one proposed amendment so far submitted. This has been duly approved as to form and will come up for consideration at the Annual Communication to be held in the month of June this year.

Certain other matters have also been referred to this committee by the Board of General Purposes, all of which have received careful consideration and have been dealt with.

The committee generally and the undersigned as Chairman in particular regret that W. Bro. A. E. Boyle has not enjoyed his usual robust health during all of this past year and his guiding hand has been greatly missed.

Your committee wishes again to extend its appreciation of the co-operation at all times received from the office of the Grand Secretary, the other members of the Board and from the Craft in general.

All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted.

K. R. KENNEDY

Chairman

This report was presented by the Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3). M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158) moved that it be adopted, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. Longbottom (112). Carried.

“MASONIC RESEARCH AND EDUCATION AND GRAND LODGE LIBRARY”

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on Masonic Research and Education begs to report for the year 1953-54 as follows:

During the year, your Committee held five meetings, and I wish here, to thank the members for the time they gave so generously in their attendance at these meetings, and for their friendly and frank discussions, enabling us to arrive at decisions which I trust will make some contribution to the benefit of the Craft.

One of our first considerations was trying to ascertain what use was being made of “The Master’s Assistant”—that excellent book that had

been supplied in 1948 to every Lodge in the Grand Jurisdiction for the use of the Master.

It was found that in a large proportion of the Lodges, the book was in use. However, a number of Lodges were not using it—did not even know where it was! After considerable correspondence by our Grand Secretary, it was decided to purchase sufficient copies to supply at cost all Lodges where the book could not be located; free copies to be supplied to the six Lodges formed since the book was issued. Also one copy without charge was sent to Elgin Lodge whose copy had been lost by fire.

“PANEL SPEAKERS”: Consideration was given by your Committee to the question of providing when requested by a Lodge, speakers, preferably on Masonic subjects, or of supplying Masonic information or suggestions which might be of assistance in improving Lodge programmes. Considerable thought and discussion took place on how this could best be accomplished.

Letters were sent out under the hand of the Grand Secretary to the Secretary of every Lodge in the Grand Jurisdiction advising them of the willingness of the Committee to help with speakers, with suggestions, or in any way possible if requested by the Lodge. Unfortunately too few Lodges availed themselves of this opportunity, however, some nineteen speakers were supplied. We regret that we were not able to fill the requests of one or two lodges due to geographical location.

Quite a number of these assignments were taken by members of the Committee. Others in the Brandon area were arranged for by our Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans, whose efforts the Committee sincerely appreciates.

Your Committee appreciates and wishes to report on the excellent educational value of our Masonic Paper “Masonry in Manitoba” which goes out monthly without charge to every Mason in good standing in the Grand Jurisdiction, and I am sure every thoughtful Mason receiving this paper values highly the contribution the Editor is making in his presentation of so many varied and worthwhile Masonic subjects. For him, it is but further evidence of his deep interest in Freemasonry.

In the course of our planning we realized that there is a certain lack of continuity of effort from year to year in the work of your Committee. This is due partially to the fact that to some extent the personnel, of necessity, changes yearly. With this thought in mind, at our January meeting, a suggestion was made by our Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray that this Committee recommend to the Board of General Purposes the setting up of a small sub-committee to build up and direct a Masonic Education and Study programme for use throughout the Grand Jurisdiction.

After considerable discussion a committee composed of the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray, the Grand Librarian, M.W. Bro. Harry B. Donnelly and the Chairman, R.W. Bro. E. L. White were appointed to consider the suggestion and report back at the next meeting of the Committee.

At the following meeting they reported as follows:

1. That a Committee of three be appointed to investigate and make recommendations on the subject of a Masonic Education and Study plan.

2. That the Grand Librarian be Chairman of this Committee and the Grand Master with the Grand Librarian be empowered to select the other two members.
3. That the Committee investigate the need for Masonic Education, review methods now used in other Grand Jurisdictions and draw up plans to make our Masonic Education more effective in our Lodges. All such plans to be subject to the approval of the Committee on Research and Education.
4. That the Committee on Research and Education recommend to the Board of General Purposes that the members of the Committee shall be appointed for a period of two years from June 1954.

This report was adopted for recommendation to the Board of General Purposes.

During the year by request of the Grand Librarian and on recommendation of the Library sub-committee, a number of books were purchased and added to our Library shelves. These books were selected with care and should make a fine addition to the books available.

May I remind the brethren that this is your Library, its object being to help circulate Masonic knowledge. It is the privilege of every Mason in good standing to use it, and we have a Librarian who is never happier than when assisting some brother in the selection of a book, or when rendering, from his vast fund of Masonic knowledge, some assistance to a brother wishing to become better informed.

"Area Meetings": The question of Area Meetings was given early consideration and it was decided to continue this effort. In order to make a wise and satisfactory decision as to where they should be held, a sub-committee was appointed to make a study and survey, and report back to the Committee. As a result, it was decided to hold three Area Meetings this year as follows:

Carman—April 23rd Host Lodge, Carman No. 155.

Kenton—April 29th Host Lodge, Woodworth No. 166.

Roblin—April 30th Host Lodge, Roblin No. 122.

This decision being reached, another sub-committee was appointed to arrange in conjunction with the Host Lodges, programmes for each of these meetings. In making these arrangements each Lodge concerned entered into all arrangements with enthusiasm.

When the time finally arrived for holding these meetings, continued rain and snow threatened cancellation or postponement; however, they were carried through as planned and the faith in the brethren of these Areas was fully justified for every meeting place was filled to capacity.

I will not go into details of the meetings more than to say that the brethren were first provided with an excellent dinner by the ladies of the Eastern Star at Carman and Roblin and the Women's Institute at Kenton, then adjournment was made to the Lodge Room, Lodge opened, the brethren welcomed by the Master, then a programme beginning with Community Singing led by our Grand Librarian, who proved himself adept in a role few of us had seen him fill previously. After which, there were planned discussions, debates, Masonic Plays—one by the brethren of Empire Lodge No. 127, one by the brethren of Hiram Lodge No. 94, both exemplifying very deep Masonic truths. Then the ever-popular question period conducted by R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett and finally an Address by the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray, who in his sincere and quiet way dealt with various problems and responsibilities of Freemasons.

It was felt that the educational value of these meetings had been well worthwhile. The brethren of the different areas had been enthusiastic and real and lasting benefit was bound to result from these gatherings of fellowship and good will.

Financially we have been able to operate within our budget. The record of the expenditures of the Committee and the proposed budget for 1954-55 will be found in the Report of the Committee on Finance.

In closing I would like to express on behalf of the Committee, our appreciation of the attendance of our Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray at our meetings. Also for the assistance of our Grand Secretary, and his staff and of our Grand Librarian who has been a tower of strength in offering suggestions, preparing plans for Area Meetings and personally supplying many calls for assistance.

The report of the Grand Librarian, M.W. Bro. Harry B. Donnelly is appended to and forms part of the report of this Committee.

Fraternally submitted on behalf of the Committee,

E. L. WHITE

Chairman.

REPORT OF THE GRAND LIBRARIAN

R.W. Brother E. L. White, Chairman,
Committee on Masonic Research and Education.

Dear Sir and R.W. Brother:

I have the honor to present the report of the Grand Librarian for the Masonic year ending March 31st 1954.

Your present Librarian took charge of the Library at the beginning of July, 1953 and found it necessary, of course, to spend considerable time in becoming acquainted with the Library itself and with the duties connected with its operation. Everything was found in good order in the Library, and only a few changes in the arrangement of books on the shelves and in classification have been made.

The main purpose of the Library is to provide the reading material to those who are interested in furthering their Masonic knowledge. In this respect the demand for books has been fairly steady. A total of 302 books have gone out, and many of these have been read by more than one brother, so this number does not indicate the actual total of readers. Besides these books, 88 clippings, pamphlets and various Transactions have been borrowed. The clipping file has been classified and catalogued, and this forms one of the most helpful sources of information for brethren seeking help in particular topics.

There are approximately 800 volumes in the Circulating section of the Library. For the larger proportion of these books there is little or no demand, yet they remain a useful part of the Library. There are about 25 or 30 Titles that are most frequently requested, covering Philosophy and Symbolism, Degrees and Rites, and to a lesser degree, the History of Freemasonry. A total of 54 books have been added to the Library, all by purchase except two which were donated, and which have been duly acknowledged. Most of these books were additional copies of some already in the Library and which were found to be in fairly constant demand.

The duties of the Librarian extend beyond the lending of books. Assistance has been given in preparing various addresses, in securing information, in providing Lodge programmes in the form of questions, plays and other activities, and in discussing with Masters and Officers methods of deepening the interest of the members in the meaning and application of Freemasonry.

Your Librarian has made efforts to increase interest in the Library by drawing attention to its facilities on every possible occasion. He has had the privilege of addressing a number of Lodges on the Library and on the opportunities it offers for advancement in Masonic knowledge. By permission of the Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, and the Chairman of the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry, letters were sent to all those elected to the office of District Deputy Grand Master for the coming year, offering them whatever assistance the Library could give them in preparing for the duties of their office. A good proportion of these have responded and have been supplied with books and other material. Also, a Book Display has been arranged for each of the Area Meetings and a Reading Course listing 25 books with brief notes on their contents has been drawn up for distribution.

Your Committee has approved a plan to put in operation a card system for the Circulation Section of the Library. An effort is being made to have as many of the outstanding books as possible returned, in order that the system may be in operation for the opening of Lodge activities in September.

Allow me to express to you my personal thanks for the support and encouragement you have given me. I am grateful also to all the members of the Committee for their sincere interest. I have been much indebted to the Grand Secretary and to his staff for many courtesies and much helpful assistance. All this has made my first year as Librarian easier, and has added to its enjoyment.

Yours sincerely and fraternally,

H. B. DONNELLY

Grand Librarian.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. E. L. White (131) who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. A. E. Duff (130). Carried.

“MASONIC BROTHERHOOD DISASTER FUND”

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F. and A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on “Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund,” begs to submit the following report covering the activities of the Committee since its formation.

Up to May 31, 1954, 113 Lodges out of a total of 115 have forwarded a total of \$14,299.13. These contributions have come from 3369 individual brethren out of a total membership of approximately 15,000.

Appended to this report is a detailed statement by Districts of total amounts received from each Lodge together with the total number of brethren subscribing in each Lodge.

As approximately 20% of the membership in the Jurisdiction have contributed \$14,299.13, we recommend that the fund be left open to give the balance of the brethren an opportunity to subscribe.

We also recommend that these funds be administered by "The Masonic Disaster Relief Fund" Committee.

Fraternally submitted,

R. E. EMMETT,
Chairman.

Contributions received to May 31st, 1954.

MASONIC BROTHERHOOD DISASTER FUND

Lodge and No. by Districts	No. of Contributors	Amount Contributed	Average Contribution
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FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT

1. Prince Rupert's.....	113	\$ 586.50	
3. Ancient Landmark.....	57	374.00	
4. St. John's.....	85	501.50	
10. Northern Light.....	64	501.00	
25. Ionic.....	176	1,114.50	
93. King Edward.....	26	145.00	
111. Acacia.....	41	146.00	
114. "The Assiniboine".....	36	377.00	
119. Norwood.....	54	270.00	
121. St. James.....	76	444.00	
127. Empire.....	91	280.00	
162. Ashlar.....	17	54.00	
165. Friendship.....	39	233.00	
	875	\$5,026.50	\$5.73

SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT

7. Assiniboine.....	40	\$ 170.00	
11. Gladstone.....	21	58.50	
24. Neepawa.....	28	105.00	
29. Carberry.....	11	40.00	
49. Temple.....	28	74.00	
75. Gothic.....	11	34.00	
108. Union.....	10	39.00	
116. St. Andrew's.....	11	30.00	
133. McCreary.....	16	49.00	
U.D. Marquette.....	18	39.00	
	194	\$ 638.50	\$3.29

MASONIC BROTHERHOOD DISASTER FUND—Continued

Lodge and No. by Districts	No. of Contributors	Amount Contributed	Average Contribution
THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT			
48. Glenboro.....	13	\$ 72.00	
51. Treherne.....	19	43.00	
63. Holland.....	21	59.00	
67. Wawanesa.....	14	32.50	
82. Cypress.....	1	10.00	
87. Rathwell.....	10	30.00	
103. Crescent.....	.....	.....
109. Swan Lake.....	18	38.00	
117. Strathcona.....	30	111.50	
160. Starbuck.....	21	37.00	
	147	\$ 433.00	\$2.95
FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT			
13. Morden.....	26	\$ 87.00	
30. Manitou.....	10	34.00	
36. Doric.....	.....	.....
50. Killarney.....	3	6.00	
71. Crystal.....	11	45.00	
118. Mound.....	2	10.00	
150. Cartwright.....	13	34.50	
	65	\$ 216.50	\$3.33
FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT			
14. Prince of Wales.....	42	\$ 121.00	
15. Corinthian.....	26	61.20	
39. Birtle.....	21	68.00	
62. Russell.....	6	20.00	
84. Hamiota.....	17	55.00	
92. Shoal Lake.....	28	109.00	
101. Binscarth.....	9	46.00	
102. Miniota.....	13	53.50	
106. Strathclair.....	26	98.00	
115. Rivers.....	4	23.00	
142. Harmony.....	2	9.75	
152. Foxwarren.....	18	48.00	
159. Newdale.....	21	21.00	
166. Woodworth.....	18	33.00	
	251	\$ 766.45	\$3.05
SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT			
27. Glenwood.....	14	\$ 79.00	
40. Deloraine.....	41	71.00	
52. Hartney.....	34	73.00	
54. Oriental.....	13	38.50	
77. Napinka.....	6	18.00	
86. Elgin.....	1	5.00	
104. Reston.....	26	100.35	
110. Kilwinning.....	24	70.00	
	159	\$ 454.85	\$2.85

MASONIC BROTHERHOOD DISASTER FUND—Continued

Lodge and No. by Districts	No. of Contributors	Amount Contributed	Average Contribution
SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT			
19. Brandon.....	104	\$ 287.50	
43. Lebanon.....	43	250.00	
44. Oak Lake.....	19	50.00	
64. Composite.....	25	55.64	
74. Elkhorn.....	14	48.00	
107. Lansdowne.....	6	23.00	
113. Tweed.....	50	206.50	
158. Fenwick.....	71	238.50	
	332	\$1,159.14	\$3.49

EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT

6. Emerson.....	32	\$ 168.00	
8. King Solomon.....	26	154.00	
55. East Star.....	15	47.00	
70. Shiloh.....	10	46.00	
90. Midlothian.....	7	34.00	
120. Penza.....	23	75.69	
125. Patricia.....	17	44.00	
132. Sprague.....	16	32.00	
155. Carman.....	5	10.00	
	151	\$ 610.69	\$4.04

NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT

68. Vermillion.....	42	\$ 204.00	
94. Hiram.....	4	36.00	
100. Robbie Burns.....	17	25.00	
105. Prince Arthur.....	17	68.00	
122. Roblin.....	15	56.00	
126. Favel.....	18	36.00	
128. Victory.....	19	23.00	
147. Jubilee.....	6	45.00	
	138	\$ 493.00	\$3.57

TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

2. Lisgar.....	28	\$ 98.00	
12. Stonewall.....	15	55.50	
112. Ophir.....	32	104.00	
123. Transcona.....	41	154.00	
131. Kildonan.....	22	87.00	
134. Stony Mountain.....	20	45.00	
148. Seven Oaks.....	33	89.00	
151. The Dormer.....	23	81.50	
154. Pine Falls.....	31	106.00	
156. Manitouwapa.....	23	80.00	
164. Harry Woods.....	25	76.00	
	293	\$ 976.00	\$3.33

MASONIC BROTHERHOOD DISASTER FUND—Continued

Lodge and No. by Districts	No. of Contributors	Amount Contributed	Average Contribution
TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT			
130. Fort Garry.....	53	\$ 325.00 ✓	
136. Capitol.....	43	201.00	
137. Lord Selkirk.....	40	144.50	
138. Windsor.....	73	446.50	
139. Beaver.....	61	325.00 ✓	
140. Meridian.....	52	226.00	
141. Tuscan.....	42	300.00	
143. Mount Sinai.....	82	247.00 ✓	
144. Fort Osborne.....	45	198.00	
145. Sturgeon Creek.....	28	123.00	
146. Fidelity.....	98	415.50	
163. Charleswood.....	8	32.00	
U.D. Menorah.....	25	76.00	
	650	\$3,059.50	\$4.71

UNDER M.W. GRAND MASTER

124. The Pas.....	4	\$ 17.00	
153. Flin Flon.....	53	207.00	
157. Rice Lake.....	26	57.00	
161. Fort Prince of Wales.....	31	184.00	
	114	\$ 465.00	\$4.08
GRAND TOTAL			
113 Lodges Contributing.....	3369	\$14,299.13	\$4.24
Received to May 31st, 1954.			

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett (121) who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. F. Irwin (24). Carried.

MOTION RE MASONIC DISTRICTS

The Committee on Re-allocation of Lodges to Masonic Districts, begs to report as follows:

After eighteen months of work your Committee, last January, made a comprehensive report dividing the Jurisdiction into Fourteen Districts. In March, the Board of

General Purposes approved the report, subject to changes which might be recommended after consideration by the Constituent Lodges. Many Lodges have requested further time for such consideration, and in view of the shortness of the time afforded so far, the Committee believes such requests to be reasonable.

Your Committee therefore recommends that the reception by Grand Lodge of the final report, be deferred for another year.

Your Committee also recommends that for the ensuing year, the Masonic Districts remain as they are with the exception that Marquette Lodge No. 21 be attached to the Second District, Friendship Lodge No. 165, to the First District, Woodworth Lodge No. 166, to the Seventh District and Menorah Lodge No. 167 to the Twelfth District.

Fraternally submitted,

S. H. FAHRNI,

Chairman

This report was presented and its adoption moved by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (7), seconded by M.W. Bro. Codrington (1).

Before the adoption of the report was put to the vote, M.W. Bro. Fahrni said members of this Special Committee would be glad to attend any meeting or gathering of brethren to discuss this subject with them. The motion was then carried.

“FRATERNAL DEAD”

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

There are times when The Eternal opens a door for us and gives us a glimpse of the greatness of life, not merely within the limits of our earthly years, but into the far reaches of Eternity, of Life Immortal. Here, then let us turn our gaze for a few moments towards that world that lies beyond time and sense, into which so many of our brethren have entered.

Our Order attempts to prepare us to face this event of death with courage and with determination, and place our trust in the bountiful goodness of the Great Architect of the Universe.

Those we remember, have now wider knowledge of that Grand Lodge on High, and have at last found that which was lost.

God give them rest, joy, refreshment and Peace. We pick up the gavel that they have laid down, and life goes on preparing us for the Great Adventure. The God we need and seek, and will one day meet face to face, is not far off. He is seeking us.

The Masonic Brotherhood and fellowship as well as our sacred tenets and principles endeavor to aid us in making of our lives, that which is acceptable to the Great God on High. By our search to find Him, and discovering who and where He is, we learn whence we came and why, and have no fear of whither we go.

A wise warm-hearted poet once wrote about life:

"I did not ask to come—nor do I know
How long this pilgrimage, nor where, nor why.
But still I feel all clearly show,
Sometime, somewhere, beneath a fairer sky.
And then I hope I shall not blush to see
The finished thing I have made of me."

—Edgar A. Guest.

It is God that works in us, such is the parable and the paradox of human life.

And now we record the names of our departed Officers:

M.W. Brother William James Major; R.W. Brethren James Martin Hough, Robert Fender Hunter, Clifford George McLean, John Pollock, Charles Richard Sayer, Frederick Starr, Abraham E. Weidman, A. Lawrence Wrye; V.W. Brethren John T. Bragg, William George Corbett, Samuel Edward Thomas Dodd, Arthur Mayne McGlashan, William Henry Simpson, Alexander C. B. Stewart, William James Young.

Officers.....	16
Members.....	285

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"May the souls of the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in Peace, and may Light perpetual shine upon them."

O God, who has appointed unto men once to die, but has hidden from them the time of their death, help us so to live in this world that we may be ready to leave it; and that, being Thine in death as in life, we may come to the rest that remaineth for Thy people; Through Him who died and rose again for us, Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen. (Response—So mote it be.)

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD L. NEWTON,

Chairman

This report was presented by the Acting Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. R. Fletcher Argue.

"GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS"

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Committee on the Grand Master's Address, appointed by the Board of General Purposes, begs to report as follows:

A year ago, this Grand Lodge felt a sore disappointment and keen anxiety in the absence of the Grand Master Elect seriously ill in the hospital. We rejoice with him today that he has been enabled since, to carry out the most of his programme and duties; the thoughts and prayers of the brethren were indeed with him during his time of trouble.

We concur with his tribute to the memory of our late M.W. Brother Wm. J. Major, a pillar of strength in our Grand Lodge for so many years. We commend the very fitting Memorial Service for our departed brethren and feel that this should be continued in future years in honor and tribute to those who have passed to the Grand Lodge Above.

We note a large number of presentations of Fifty-year Jewels. Our Grand Master has wisely pointed out that it is the duty of lodges to apply for these and that our older brethren who are entitled to this distinction should not have it withheld from them by the negligence of a lodge.

We heartily approve the Grand Master's plan to have more lodges visited by Grand Lodge Officers, under his direction. We trust this good work will be carried on in the future.

It would seem best that a record of all such visitations should be kept so that every lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction may be so visited in due time. It is impossible for the Grand Master to visit more than a limited number of lodges during his term of office. The Grand Master has started a plan, that possibly could be enlarged on, to assist him and future Grand Masters in the very important contacts of lodges with their Grand Lodge Officers.

We note that our Grand Master has travelled extensively during his term of office and we desire to express our gratitude to the Great Architect of the Universe that his health has been so restored as to permit him so to do.

We commend the Grand Master's interest in and the starting of the Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund.

The Grand Master's Recommendations:

We concur in his recommendation of a continuance of a yearly Service of Dedication.

We concur in his recommendation to supply lodges with a separate folder for edicts, rulings etc. They will thus be separate from the regular lodge files and not so liable to be mislaid or lost.

We concur in his recommendation that Masonic Events of significance such as anniversaries, special events, etc., should be reported, we suggest to the Grand Secretary, who could see that same were brought to the attention of the proper Committee.

Your Committee concurs in all the Grand Master's Official acts, during his term of Office.

At the conclusion of his Address, the Grand Master says, "if this report reflects any measure of success"—it is impossible for the Grand Master to put into a limited Address all that he has done, nor would he put in everything if he could.

To those who accompanied him on visitations and to those who were present, his thoughtfulness, sincerity of purpose and his genuine desire to meet all on a common level, endeared him to his brethren. He very capably carried out his duties and we know that the brethren will agree with this committee that the reflection of his measure of success has been very bright indeed.

Faternally submitted,

CHAS. E. COLE

Chairman

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. C. E. Cole (7), who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (7). Carried.

"GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT"

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee is pleased to submit a summary of the Grand Secretary's Annual Report.

The Statistical portion of this Report is evidence of the amount of work to achieve the final analysis. The membership shows an increase of 292 as at December 31st, 1953, lowest in a period of five years. The total membership for the Jurisdiction is 15,176. There is a noticeable increase in Demits and Suspensions NPD. Thirteen lodges had no Initiations compared to eleven in 1952; eleven lodges conferred no degrees at all, compared to six lodges in 1952. However, your Committee feels that regardless of these decreases, Freemasonry still maintains a healthy and normal growth in this Grand Jurisdiction.

We note that two lodges have been issued Charters, namely, Friendship Lodge No. 165 on September 3rd, 1953, and Woodworth Lodge No. 166 on July 16th, 1953. Also, the M.W. Grand Master has granted Dispensations for the formation of two new Lodges—Marquette Lodge, U.D. in the City of Portage la Prairie and Menorah Lodge U.D. in the Municipality of East Kildonan.

The number of Degrees and Dispensations issued cast a very favorable light on the satisfactory condition of Masonic activity in this Jurisdiction. The many amendments to By-laws of constituent Lodges is evidence that the membership is increasing its interest in the activities for the better functioning of their respective lodges.

Your Committee wishes to commend the Grand Secretary for calling a meeting of the Secretaries of the Lodges in Greater Winnipeg. This meeting was very well attended, discussions were held and recommendations made, which we feel will be beneficial and instructive to the lodge Secretaries in dispensing their duties. We recommend that such a meeting should be held annually.

Your Committee is pleased to note that on June 10th and 11th, 1953 the Grand Secretary accompanied the Representative of the Grand Master to the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Alberta where he had the rank of Honorary Past Senior Grand Warden conferred on him. We extend our hearty congratulations on an honor well placed.

It is also noted that he attended the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan and also the Grand Lodge of Minnesota. He attended, with other delegates, the Thirteenth Annual Conference at Banff and (in company with the M.W. Grand Master) in February of this year, the Conference of Grand Lodge Secretaries of North America in Washington, D.C. He attended the M.W. Grand Master at every District meeting and on a number of occasions spoke to the brethren with respect to lodge By-laws and the make-up and operation of their Grand Lodge.

We join the Grand Secretary in humbly expressing our grateful thanks to the Most High for the restoration to good health and strength of our M.W. Grand Master.

We also concur in the Grand Secretary's appreciation of the co-operation and efficiency of Miss Margaret Anderson and W. Bro. M. G. McKenzie.

This Committee wishes to record its sincere appreciation for the splendid work performed by our Grand Secretary during the year. He has met the numerous problems with enthusiasm and courage, and those of us who have had the opportunity of working with him have been greatly impressed by his ability and courtesy.

Fraternally submitted,

J. REID GLENN

Chairman.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. J. R. Glenn (144) who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. Norquay (2). Carried.

GREETINGS FROM DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

M.W. Bro. Leroy E. Matson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota in opening his remarks said that the brethren who come from Minnesota, have always enjoyed the hospitality of the brethren of Manitoba and the large delegation present this year bears out how much they appreciated this. Today, the most significant item in the

world is the progress made in the control of the physical world, jet planes, television, radio and atomic power all bear this out. Unfortunately, we have not made corresponding progress in human relations. Our Craft comes into the picture as one Institution interested in the moral development of man and Freemasonry, a spiritual force to be used, which must be spread to other countries of the world. "Ritual is not enough," M.W. Bro. Matson stated, "our teachings must be practiced in our everyday living."

M.W. Bro. J. E. Patterson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Montana remarked that we have had representatives of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba visit our Grand Lodge and really appreciated their attendance and now for the first time it is our privilege to visit Manitoba. We find some of your procedures are different to ours but we really have enjoyed your Communication. It is the human touch that counts in the world today and it is a wonderful thing to cross that imaginary line that separates our two countries to visit with one another.

M.W. Brother Ralph R. Twamley, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of South Dakota said it was a pleasure for him to be in attendance and bring greetings from his Grand Master, M.W. Brother Munch and the 30,000 Masons of South Dakota. He remarked that so much had been said during our Communication regarding the relationship between Freemasonry and the Church which co-incided with his own Grand Master's programme as, during his year in office, he has been urging the brethren of South Dakota to actively support the church of their choice.

M.W. Bro. Harold S. Pond, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota remarked it was a pleasure to address the gathering as "my Brethren of Manitoba, as two years ago you honored me in making me an Honorary Past Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, an honor I appreciate possibly more than any other I have. Our Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Graham sends his regrets for his non-attendance but his physician has ordered him to stay home, and it is our earnest hope he will be well enough to preside at his own Grand Lodge to be held later this month. After many years of negotiations, completion of an agreement on the St. Lawrence Seaway project is one more evidence of our unification as citizens of two countries and as Freemasons, we must stand together against totalitarianism and dictatorship. As Master Masons our

fears, our hopes and our cares are one—we must remember this and go forward together.”

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray, said that just a year ago you showed what the power of prayer could do and I would at this moment ask the Acting Grand Chaplain R.W. Bro. R. Fletcher Argue to implore the blessing of the Most High on behalf of our fraternal brother, M.W. Brother Graham. R.W. Bro. Argue in his prayer asked the Great Architect of the Universe to hear and record our message so that in His infinite goodness He would restore M.W. Brother Graham to good health.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Grand Secretary requested that all Grand Lodge Officers bring their regalia to the Evening Session so it would be available for the Installation of Officers.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4.25 p.m. to be reconvened at 8.00 o'clock in the evening.

THURSDAY, JUNE 3rd, 1954

Evening Session

The Grand Master, Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Masters entered the Grand Lodge Room in procession, the brethren singing the Processional Hymn "All People that on Earth do Dwell."

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray asked the Grand Director of Ceremonies to present at the Altar, Bro. Frederick G. Turner of Transcona Lodge No. 123. After this presentation had been effected the M.W. Grand Master announced that Bro. Turner was Initiated into Transcona Lodge in 1915, was first elected as Secretary in 1917 an Office he has since held continuously for 37 years. "It is fitting" M.W. Brother Gray commented, "that your lodge should recognize your worth and bring it to the attention of Grand Lodge." The M.W. Grand Master then read a Citation to Brother Turner and presented him with same at the end of the reading. He then ordered Grand Honors be accorded Bro. Turner after which the Grand Director of Ceremonies escorted Bro. Turner to his seat in Grand Lodge.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Credentials begs to report as follows: There are 113 Chartered Lodges on the Grand Lodge Regis-

ter. 88 Lodges are represented by one or more of their three Principal Officers, 25 Lodges unrepresented, namely:

Birtle Lodge No. 39	Ophir Lodge No. 112
Oak Lake Lodge No. 44	Rivers Lodge No. 115
Russell Lodge No. 62	Strathcona Lodge No. 117
Composite Lodge No. 64	Mound Lodge No. 118
Napinka Lodge No. 77	Favel Lodge No. 126
Cypress Lodge No. 82	Victory Lodge No. 128
Robbie Burns Lodge No. 100	Harmony Lodge No. 142
Miniota Lodge No. 102	Jubilee Lodge No. 147
Crescent Lodge No. 103	The Dormer Lodge No. 151
Strathclair Lodge No. 106	Foxwarren Lodge No. 152
Lansdowne Lodge No. 107	Carman Lodge No. 155
Swan Lake Lodge No. 109	Rice Lake Lodge No. 157
	Newdale Lodge No. 159

105 Lodges have one or more Past Masters present, and 8 have neither Past Master nor Officers present, namely:

Oak Lake Lodge No. 44	Mound Lodge No. 118
Napinka Lodge No. 77	Harmony Lodge No. 142
Robbie Burns Lodge No. 100	Jubilee Lodge No. 147
Rivers Lodge No. 115	Foxwarren Lodge No. 152

Past Masters.....	442
Worshipful Masters.....	78
Senior Wardens.....	55
Junior Wardens.....	35
	<u>610</u>

Registered:

Master Masons.....	81
Visitors.....	31
	<u>722</u>

Total.....

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. GRANT,
for the Chairman

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant(3), who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139) and Carried.

No.	Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Total
1	Prince Rupert's.....	--	1	--	7	8
2	Lisgar.....	1	--	--	5	6
3	Ancient Landmark.....	1	1	1	10	13
4	St. John's.....	1	1	1	17	20
6	Emerson.....	1	1	1	10	13
7	Assiniboine.....	1	1	--	10	12
8	King Solomon.....	1	1	--	4	6
10	Northern Light.....	1	--	1	9	11
11	Gladstone.....	1	1	1	6	9
12	Stonewall.....	1	1	--	9	11
13	Morden.....	1	1	--	5	7
14	Prince of Wales.....	1	1	--	3	5
15	Corinthian.....	1	--	1	1	3
19	Brandon.....	1	1	1	4	7
24	Neepawa.....	1	--	1	5	7
25	Ionic.....	1	1	--	7	9
27	Glenwood.....	1	1	--	3	5
29	Carberry.....	1	--	--	6	7
30	Manitou.....	--	1	--	2	3
36	Doric.....	1	--	--	3	4
39	Birtle.....	--	--	--	1	1
40	Deloraine.....	1	--	--	2	3
43	Lebanon.....	1	1	1	3	6
44	Oak Lake.....	--	--	--	--	--
48	Glenboro.....	1	1	1	1	4
49	Temple.....	1	1	1	6	9
50	Killarney.....	1	1	--	--	2
51	Treherne.....	--	1	1	7	9
52	Hartney.....	1	1	1	2	5
54	Oriental.....	1	1	--	3	5
55	East Star.....	1	--	--	6	7
62	Russell.....	--	--	--	1	1
63	Holland.....	1	--	--	1	2
64	Composite.....	--	--	--	2	2
67	Wawanesa.....	1	--	--	2	3
68	Vermillion.....	1	--	--	1	2
70	Shiloh.....	1	1	1	5	8
71	Crystal.....	1	1	--	4	6
74	Elkhorn.....	1	--	--	--	1
75	Gothic.....	1	--	--	6	7
77	Napinka.....	--	--	--	--	--
82	Cypress.....	--	--	--	3	3
84	Hamiota.....	1	1	--	1	3
86	Elgin.....	1	--	--	--	1
87	Rathwell.....	--	1	1	4	6
90	Midlothian.....	1	1	--	4	6
92	Shoal Lake.....	--	1	--	2	3
93	King Edward.....	1	1	1	10	13
94	Hiram.....	--	1	--	1	2
100	Robbie Burns.....	--	--	--	--	--
101	Binscarth.....	--	1	--	--	1
102	Miniota.....	--	--	--	1	1
103	Crescent.....	--	--	--	3	3
104	Reston.....	1	--	--	6	7
105	Prince Arthur.....	1	--	--	1	2
106	Strathclair.....	--	--	--	2	2
107	Lansdowne.....	--	--	--	3	3
108	Union.....	1	1	--	4	6

No.	Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Total
109	Swan Lake.....	--	--	--	3	3
110	Kilwinning.....	1	1	1	1	4
111	Acacia.....	1	1	1	11	14
112	Ophir.....	--	--	--	3	3
113	Tweed.....	1	--	1	9	11
114	"The Assiniboine".....	1	--	--	7	8
115	Rivers.....	--	--	--	--	--
116	St. Andrew's.....	1	1	--	4	6
117	Strathcona.....	--	--	--	2	2
118	Mound.....	--	--	--	--	--
119	Norwood.....	1	1	--	4	6
120	Penza.....	1	1	--	6	8
121	St. James.....	1	1	1	11	14
122	Roblin.....	1	--	--	1	2
123	Transcona.....	1	1	1	6	9
124	The Pas.....	1	--	--	--	1
125	Patricia.....	1	--	--	2	3
126	Favel.....	--	--	--	1	1
127	Empire.....	1	1	1	8	11
128	Victory.....	--	--	--	1	1
130	Fort Garry.....	1	--	--	10	11
131	Kildonan.....	1	--	--	6	7
132	Sprague.....	--	--	1	1	2
133	McCreary.....	1	1	1	2	5
134	Stony Mountain.....	1	1	--	3	5
136	Capitol.....	1	1	1	5	8
137	Lord Selkirk.....	1	--	--	4	5
138	Windsor.....	1	--	1	10	12
139	Beaver.....	1	1	1	9	12
140	Meridian.....	1	--	1	10	12
141	Tuscan.....	1	1	1	9	12
142	Harmony.....	--	--	--	--	--
143	Mt. Sinai.....	1	1	1	19	22
144	Fort Osborne.....	1	1	--	5	7
145	Sturgeon Creek.....	--	1	1	1	3
146	Fidelity.....	--	1	--	6	7
147	Jubilee.....	--	--	--	--	--
148	Seven Oaks.....	1	1	--	8	10
150	Cartwright.....	1	1	1	--	3
151	The Dormer.....	--	--	--	3	3
152	Foxwarren.....	--	--	--	--	--
153	Flin Flon.....	1	--	--	--	1
154	Pine Falls.....	1	1	1	2	5
155	Carman.....	--	--	--	4	4
156	Manitouwapa.....	1	1	--	4	6
157	Rice Lake.....	--	--	--	2	2
158	Fenwick.....	1	--	1	2	4
159	Newdale.....	--	--	--	3	3
160	Starbuck.....	1	1	--	1	3
161	Fort Prince of Wales.....	1	--	--	1	2
162	Ashlar.....	1	--	--	1	2
163	Charleswood.....	1	--	--	2	3
164	Harry Woods.....	1	--	--	2	3
165	Friendship.....	1	1	1	3	6
166	Woodworth.....	1	1	--	--	2
	Totals.....	78	55	35	442	610

REPORT OF THE SCRUTINEERS ON ELECTIONS

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Your Board of Scrutineers, appointed to conduct the election of Officers and eight members of the Board of General Purposes for a term of two years, also District Deputy Grand Masters for the several Masonic Districts, make report as follows:

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND MASTER, the name of John Robert Charles Evans was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF DEPUTY GRAND MASTER, the name of Robert Eric Emmett was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF SENIOR GRAND WARDEN, the name of J. Ferguson Irwin was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN, two names were submitted in nomination, i.e., John Norquay and David Rothstein. The number of ballots cast was 592 of which 592 were valid. The necessary quota to elect was 297. Brother Rothstein received the necessary quota.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND TREASURER, the name of W. Percy White was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND SECRETARY, the name of Thomas C. Jackson was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND CHAPLAIN, the name of John Edward Cooper was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND HISTORIAN, the name of William Douglas was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES, two names were submitted in nomination, i.e., Charles A. Midwinter and Wesley D. G. Runions. The number of ballots cast was 590 of which 590 were valid. The necessary quota to elect was 296. Brother Runions received the necessary quota.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND LIBRARIAN, the name of Harry Bingham Donnelly was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES, for a two-year term, seventeen names were submitted in nomination, i.e.,

S. C. Bagley	W. J. McGregor
A. D. Blair	J. P. Mowat
F. C. Davey	B. S. Parker
A. E. Duff	H. S. Perdue
M. Ferguson	G. W. Rattray
E. M. Finkleman	A. J. Sawatzky
G. M. Lardner	W. M. Summers
D. A. McKay	J. A. Sundell
	E. L. White

The number of ballots cast was 593 of which 590 were valid (3 spoiled). The necessary quota to elect was 66. The following named brethren received the necessary quota or an equivalent to elect.

F. C. Davey	J. P. Mowat
A. E. Duff	B. S. Parker
E. M. Finkleman	H. S. Perdue
W. J. McGregor	A. J. Sawatzky

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, the following brethren have been elected District Deputy Grand Master of the respective Districts as indicated. Their election has been confirmed by the Grand Master Elect.

FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT, Alexander Colvin Slessor.

SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT, Jack Adrian Davidson.

THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT, Myrton Mills.

FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT, William James Breakey.

FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Sherman Hilton Dayton.

SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT, John Gordon Cobb.

SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Frederick C. Courtice.

EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Herbert Ward Davison.

NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Allan Doak.

TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Harold Kersey Hutson.

TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Thomas Wilson.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

WM. DOUGLAS,

Chairman.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4) who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald (70). Carried.

The M.W. Grand Master then declared the several Officers of Grand Lodge and the members of the Board of General Purposes to be duly elected.

ADDRESS OF THE GRAND HISTORIAN

M.W. Brother Wm. Douglas

The M.W. Grand Master then called on the Grand Historian, who gave the following Address:

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

We, as members of this ancient and honorable Craft are expected to exemplify in our lives and work, the attributes of

good citizenship. In this connection it is of prime importance that we should seek to familiarize ourselves regarding the background of our inheritance. It is a good country in which we dwell and the privileges which are enjoyed by all law-abiding citizens did not just happen—they were created by and purchased for posterity at the price of personal sacrifice.

Here in Manitoba, we regard the Selkirk Settlers as the foundation builders of this great Province. I doubt very much if we pay proper respect to what they did for their adopted land. But that is a story of itself. Tonight, instead of turning our thoughts upon the accomplishments of these hardy pioneers, I want to speak on the subject of "Why the Selkirk Settlers left Scotland." It was indeed a tragic experience. However, these were the men and women who brought civilization and its attendant community services to the land where you and I make our homes and I am sure that a backward glance to the opening years of the nineteenth century will bring to us a fuller understanding of the type and character of the Settlers sent by Lord Selkirk to open up Red River Settlement in 1812 and the years immediately following.

The Rebellion of 1745 made an enormous difference to the Highland Clans. Previous to 1745 no clansman could be evicted from his home, as they were held by feudal right; while the land was the common property of the tribe or clan, and hence of no single individual. The affair of 1745 swept all feudal rights out of existence. The lands were then invested by "sheepskin" (deeds) in the loyal chiefs, landlords, successors of the rebels. The government knew it could control the landlords who held their lands from the Crown, but it could not control thousands of clansmen who held their lands by feudal right. The people felt they were wrongfully dispossessed of their lands, but being nominally rebels, for they were all classed alike, they could not resist. The common people have never admitted the legality of the Act, and to this day they claim the land as theirs, even though it may have passed by purchase to several owners.

The people of Sutherland had a double grievance. They took little or no part in the Rebellion. They looked upon the Earl as their father, into whose hands they had committed the keeping of their lands, as for mutual protection. He had merely to say the word and every man would rush to arms in protection of their common property. Now he had disowned them, thrown them out of their homes and razed

them to the ground so as to prevent a re-entry. So terrible were the harsh scenes of these days that they were indelibly burned into the memories of the people. To make matters worse, many of the men whose homes were burned were at the time, fighting the battles of their country under Wellington.

The Sutherland Clearances were commenced in a comparatively mild way in 1807, by the ejection of ninety families from Farr and Lairg. They were provided for some fifteen or seventeen miles distant, with smaller lots to which they were permitted to remove their cattle and plenishing, leaving their crops unprotected. They had to pull down their old houses, remove the timber, and build new ones, during which period they had in many cases to sleep under the open canopy of heaven. In the autumn they carried away with great difficulty, what remained of their crops, but the fatigue incurred cost not a few lives, while others contracted diseases which stuck to them during the remainder of their lives, and shortened their days.

In 1809, several hundred were evicted from the parishes of Dornoch, Rogart, Clyne and Golspie under circumstances of much greater severity than those already described. Several were driven by various means to leave the country altogether, and to those who could not be induced to do so, patches of moor and bog were offered on Dornoch Moor and Brora Links, quite unfit for cultivation. This process of depopulation was carried on annually until, in 1811, the land from which the people were ejected, was divided into large farms.

The Sutherland Clearances consisted in the ejection, from their minutely divided farms of several hundreds of the Sutherlandshire aborigines, who, from time immemorial had been in possession of their mountain tenements. This sweeping desolation extended over many parishes, but it fell most heavily on the parish of Kildonan. The scheme of clearance was the device of William Young, a successful corn dealer and land improver. He had risen from indigence but was naturally a man of taste; of an ingenious turn of mind, and a shrewd calculator. After realizing a considerable sum of money by his corn dealing transactions, he purchased from Sir Archibald Dunbar of Thundertown, a small and valueless property in Morayshire called Inverugie. It lay upon the seashore, and like many properties of ancient date, had been completely covered with seasand which had drifted upon its surface. For this small and worthless spot he paid a corres-

pondingly small price, but, tasking his native and vigorous genius for improvement, he set himself at once to better his bargain. Making use of a plough of peculiar construction he turned the sand down and the rich old soil up, and thus made it one of the most productive properties in the country. This, with other necessary improvements, however, involved him in debt; but just as it became a question with him, how to pay it, his praise in the North of Scotland as a scientific improver of land reached the ears of the Stafford family, who in connection with their immense wealth, were racked with the anxiety to improve their Highland estate. William Young, having been so successful on the estate at Inverugie, they thought he could not but be equally so on the Sutherland estate. Young introduced the depopulating system in Sutherlandshire. This system, during his tenure as Commissioner on the Sutherland property was just at its commencement. The whole north and south sides of the Strath, from Kildonan to Caen on the left bank of the river and from Dalcharn to Marrel on the right bank, were at one fell swoop, cleared of their inhabitants. The measures for the ejectment had been taken with such promptness and were so suddenly and brutally carried out, they excited a tumult among the people. Young had as his associate in the factorship, a man of the name Sellar, who acted in the subordinate capacity of legal agent and accountant on the Estate, and who, by his unprincipled recklessness in conducting the process of ejectment, added fuel to the flame. It was said that the people rose almost en masse, that the constables and officials were resisted and their lives threatened, and the combination among the peasantry was represented as assuming so alarming an aspect that the Sheriff-Depute of the County was under the necessity of calling in the military to quell the riot.

A detachment of soldiers was accordingly sent from Fort George, a powder magazine was erected at Dornoch, and every preparation made for the commencement of a civil war. But the chief magistrate of the County, shrewdly suspecting the origin of these reports, ordered back the military, came himself alone among the people, and instituted a cool and impartial enquiry into their alleged proceedings. The result was that the formidable riot, which was reported to have for its object the murder of Young and Sellar, the expulsion of the store-farmers, and the burning of Dunrobin Castle, amounted after all only to this—that a certain number of the people had congregated in different places and had given vent to their outraged feelings and sense of oppression in rash and

unguarded terms. It could not be proven that a single act of violence was committed. Sellar labored hard to involve the Parish Minister, Rev. Alexander Sage and his wife, in the criminality of these proceedings, but utterly failed. The peasantry as fine as any in the world, were treated by the owners of the soil as "good for nothing but to be cast out and trodden under the feet of men."

The seventeen parish ministers with the single exception of Rev. Alexander Sage of Kildonan, took the side of the Sutherland family, exhorting the people to submit and to stifle their cries of distress, telling their congregations that all their sufferings came from the hand of the Heavenly Fathers as a punishment for their past transgressions. Through all this period of oppression, the clergy were assiduous in preaching that all the misfortunes of the people were "foreordained of God."

At the May term of 1812, large districts of the various parishes were cleared, the poor creatures foolishly believing the false teachings of their selfish and dishonest ministers. About this time, the Earl of Selkirk went personally to the district and encouraged many of the evicted tenantry to immigrate to Red River, where he had prepared a settlement. This was the year of the departure of the first party of actual settlers for "The great lone land."

An eye-witness to the scene of general devastation is our best evidence of the universal suffering endured by the people of Sutherlandshire through their days of dispersion. Among the cases which have been preserved in the annals of the district is that of Donald MacBeath, an infirm and bedridden old man, whose house was unroofed over him, and in that state, he was exposed to the wind and rain until death put an end to his sufferings. The same witness was present at the pulling down and burning of the house of William Chisholm, Badinloskin, in which was lying his wife's mother, an old bed-ridden woman of nearly one hundred years of age, none of the family being present. The circumstances were explained to the men about to set fire to the house and they were prevailed upon to wait until Mr. Sellar arrived. On his arrival, he was told the woman was not in a condition to be moved, but his reply came, "Damn her, the old witch, she has lived too long already, let her burn." Fire was immediately applied to the house and the blankets in which the old lady was carried out were in flames before she could be got out. Her friends placed her in a little shed, and it was with great difficulty the despoilers were prevented from

setting fire to the shed also. The old woman's daughter arrived while the house was ablaze and assisted in removing her mother. Within five days the old lady died.

About a month after the Whitsunday term, 1815, the work of demolition and devastation commenced again, and on this occasion, parts of the parishes of Golspie, Rogart, Farr and the whole of Kildonan were in a blaze. Parties with faggots and other combustible material set to work with a will and three hundred houses were ruthlessly given to the flames; their occupants pushed out into the open spaces without food and with no shelter to cover themselves.

Donald Macleod, a native of Kildonan, described the scene from his personal experiences: "The consternation and confusion were extreme; little or no time was given for the removal of persons or property; the people striving to remove the sick and helpless before the fire should reach them, next struggling to the most valuable of their effects. The cries of the women and children, the roaring of the affrighted cattle, hunted at the same time by the yelling of the dogs of the shepherds, amid the smoke and fire, altogether presented a scene that completely baffles description. It required to be seen to be believed. A dense cloud of smoke enveloped the whole country by day, and even extended far out to sea; at night an awfully grand but terrific scene presented itself—all the houses in an extensive district in flames at once. I myself ascended a height about eleven o'clock in the evening, and counted two hundred and fifty blazing houses, many of the owners of which were my relations, and all of whom I personally knew, but whose present condition, whether in or out of the flames—I could not tell. The conflagration lasted six days, till the whole of the dwellings were reduced to ashes or smoking ruins. During one of these days a boat actually lost her way in the dense smoke as she approached the shore, but at night was enabled to reach a landing place by the lurid light of the flames."

"The whole of the inhabitants of Kildonan, numbering nearly 2,000 souls, except three families were utterly rooted and burned out and the whole parish converted into a solitary wilderness. All this was done in the name of the proprietors."

Rev. Donald Sage was the son of the Parish Minister of Kildonan. He was appointed in charge of the Mission at Achness early in 1816, and remained there until his immediate district was depopulated in 1819. The published record

which he left is a convincing indictment of the persons responsible for driving the people of Sutherland from their native heath. His story not only corroborates but bears a marked similarity to that of Donald Macleod which had already been mentioned. This is what he wrote of his own time: "The reckless, lordly proprietors had resolved upon the expulsion of their long-standing and much attached tenantry from their widely extended estates, and the Sutherland Clearance of 1819 was not only the climax of their oppression for many years, but the extinction of the last remnant of the ancient Highland peasantry in the north. As violent tempests send out before them many a deep and sullen roar, so did the advancing storm give notice of its approach by various single acts of oppression. I can yet recall to memory the deep and thrilling sensation I experienced, as I sat at my rude little parlor at Achness, when the tidings of the meditated removal of my poor flock first reached me from headquarters.

"It might be about the beginning of October, 1818. A tenant from the middle of the Strath had been to Rhives, the residence of Mr. Young the Commissioner, paying his rent. He was informed, and authorized to tell his neighbors that the rent for the half-year ending in March 1819, would not be demanded, as it was determined to lay the districts of Strathnaver and Upper Kildonan under sheep. Notwithstanding their knowledge of former clearances, they clung to the hope that the Duchess of Sutherland would not give her consent to the warning as issued by her subordinates, and thus deprive herself of her people, as truly a part of her noble inheritance as were her broad acres. But the course of a few weeks soon undeceived them. Summonses of ejectment were issued and despatched all over the District. These must have amounted to upwards of a thousand, as the populations of the Mission alone was 1,600 souls, and many more than those of the Mission were ejected.

"The summonses were distributed with the utmost preciseness. They were handed in at every house and hovel alike, be the occupiers of them who or what they might—minister, catechist, or elder, tenant, sub-tenant, out-servant or cottar—all were made to feel the irresponsible power of the proprietor. The enormous amount of citations might also be accounted for by the fact that Mr. Peter Sellar had a three-fold interest in the whole matter. He was in the first place, factor on the Sutherland estate at the time; he was law-agent for the proprietors; and lastly, the lessee or tacksman of more than a third of the country to be cleared of

its inhabitants. It may easily be conceived how much a three-tied cord of worldly interest would bind him over to greater rigour, and even atrocity in executing the orders of his superiors on the wretched people among whom he was thus let loose like a beast of prey. But the effects produced by these decided measures I distinctly remember. Having myself, in common with the rest of the people, received one of these notices, I resolved that at the ensuing term of Martinmas, I would remove from Achness and go once more permanently to reside under my father's roof (Kildonan Manse), although I would at the same time continue the punctual discharge of my pastoral duties among the people till they also had been removed. I could not but regard the summoning of the minister as tantamount to the putting down of the ministration of the Word and Ordinances of religion in that part of the country, and indeed, it is a fact that although this desolate district is still occupied by the shepherds, no provision has, since that time been made for their spiritual wants. I left Achness about the middle of November 1818.

“The people received the legal warning to leave for ever the homes of their fathers with a sort of stupor—that apparent indifference which is so often the external aspect of intense feeling. As they began, however, to awaken from the stunning effects of this first intimation, their feelings found vent, and I was much struck with the different ways in which they expressed their sentiments. The truly pious acknowledged the hand of God in the matter. In their prayers and religious conferences not a solitary expression could be heard indicative of anger or vindictiveness, but in the sight of God they humbled themselves and received the chastisement at His hand. Those, however, who were strangers to such exalted and ennobling impressions of the Gospel breathed deep and muttered curses on the heads of the persons who subjected them to such treatment. The more reckless portion of them fully realized the character of the impenitent in all ages, and indulged in the most culpable excesses, even while this Divine punishment was still suspended over them. These last, however, were few in number—not more than a dozen. To my poor and defenceless flock, the dark hour of trial came at last in right earnest. It was in the month of April, and about the middle of it, that they were all, man, woman and child, from the heights of Farr to the mouth of the Naver, one day, to quit their tenements and go—many of them knew not whither. On the day of removal, they were not allowed to remain, even on the

bleakest moor, and in the open air, for a distance of twenty miles around.

"The middle of the week brought on the day of the Strathnaver Clearance, (1819). It was Tuesday—at an early hour of that day, Mr. Sellar, accompanied by the Fiscal, and escorted by a strong body of constables, sheriff-officers and others, commenced work at Grummore, the first inhabited township to the west of the Achness district. Their plan of operations was to clear the cottages of their inmates, giving them about half an hour to pack up and carry off their furniture, and then set fire to the cottages. To this plan they ruthlessly adhered, without the slightest regard to any obstacles that might arise while carrying it into execution. At Grumbeg lived a soldier's widow, Henny Munro. She had followed her husband in all his campaigns, marches and battles, in Sicily and Spain. Whether his death was on the field of battle, or the result of fever and fatigue, I forget; but his faithful help-meet attended him in his last hour, and when his spirit fled, closed his eyes, and followed his remains to their last resting place. After his death she returned to Grumbeg, the place of her nativity, and as she was utterly destitute of any means of support, she was affectionately received by her friends, who built her a small cottage and gave her a cow and grass for it. The din of arms, orders and counter-orders from head-quarters, marchings and counter-marchings and pitched battles, retreats and advances, were the leading and nearly unceasing subject of her winter evening conversations. She was a joyous, cheery old creature; so inoffensive, moreover and so contented, and brimful of good-will that all who could get acquainted with old Henny Munro could only desire to do her a good turn, were it merely for the warm and hearty expressions of gratitude with which it was received. Surely the factor and his followers did not personally know old Henny, or they could not have treated her as they did. After the cottages at Grummore were emptied of their inmates, and roofs and rafters had been lighted up into one red blaze, Mr. Sellar and his ironhearted attendants approached the residence of the soldier's widow. Henny stood up to plead for her furniture—the coarsest and most valueless that well could be, but still her earthly all. She first asked that, as her neighbors were so occupied with their own furniture, hers might be allowed to remain till they should be free to remove it for her. This request was refused. She then besought them to allow a shepherd, who was present and offered his services for that purpose, to remove the furniture to his own residence on the

opposite shore of the loch, to remain there till she could carry it away. This was also refused, and she was told with an oath, that if she did not take her trumpery off within half-an-hour it would be burned. The poor widow had only to task the remains of her bodily strength, and address herself to the work of dragging her chests, beds, presses and stools out at the door, placing them at the gable of her cottage. No sooner was her task accomplished than the torch was applied, the widow's hut, built of very combustible material, speedily ignited, and there rose up rapidly, first a dense cloud of smoke, and soon thereafter a bright red flame. The wind unfortunately blew in the direction of the furniture, and the flame lighting upon it, speedily reduced it to ashes.

"In their progress down the Strath, Cean-na-coille was the next township reached by the fire-raising evictors. An aged widow lived there, who by infirmity, had been reduced to such a state of bodily weakness that she could neither walk nor lie in bed. She could only, night and day, sit in her chair; and having been confined for many years in that posture, her limbs had become so stiff that any attempt to move her was attended with acute pain. She was the mother-in-law of Samuel Matheson and had, with her family, been removed by Mr. Sellar from Rhimisdale some time before. His treatment of her and others on that occasion had brought Mr. Sellar into trouble, but now, in the Providence of God, she was once more in his power. 'The good wife of Rhimisdale' as she was called, was much revered. In her house I have held diets of catechising and meetings for prayer, and been signally refreshed by her Christian converse. When the evicting party began their operations in her township, the aged widow's house was among the very first that was to be consigned to the flames.

"During these proceedings," Mr. Sage recorded, "I was resident at the manse at Kildonan, but I had the occasion on the week immediately ensuing to visit the manse at Tongue. On my way thither, I passed through the scene of the campaign of burning. The spectacle presented was hideous and ghastly. The banks of the lake and the river, formerly studded with cottages, now met the eye as a scene of desolation. Of all the houses, the thatched roofs were gone, but the walls, built of alternate layers of turf and stone remained. The flames of the preceding week still slumbered in their ruins and sent up into the air spiral columns of smoke, and then a dusky flame slowly sprang up. The sooty rafters of the cottages, as they were consumed, filled the air with a heavy and most offensive odor."

Between the years 1811 and 1820, fifteen thousand inhabitants in this part of Sutherlandshire were ejected from their snug little farm-homes, by means for which we would in vain seek a precedent, and all to make the land over to the business of raising sheep.

What became of the dispersed? The less adventurous and poorest of them slipped away to follow the occupation of unskilled laborers; others who had never had any experience of life on the sea-coast, were compelled to settle in a barren and unfruitful district by the sea, while those who visioned the possibility of independence, joined the movement instituted by the Earl of Selkirk and travelled across the Ocean, thence through Hudson's Bay, to find habitation on the banks of the Red River. They were the founders of the Province of Manitoba. Here they cleared and developed the land to agriculture; they cherished the Gaelic language which was their mother tongue, and valiantly subdued the wilderness. The task was difficult. Harassed by the pestilence of fever; impoverished by the continued visitation of grasshopper plagues; devastated by floods, twice in twenty-five years; dispossessed in 1815 and again in 1816; every vestige of a settlement destroyed by unsympathetic fur-traders; these were but a part of the experience of our first pioneers. Beset by these and other vicissitudes, they never gave up hope and by their indomitable courage, they succeeded in overcoming every obstacle.

It is fitting that we should pay tribute to the founders of this great land. Theirs was a great experience.

WILLIAM DOUGLAS,

Grand Historian.

Hearty applause at the conclusion, showed how much the brethren had appreciated this splendid historical Address. M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (7) very ably expressed the thanks of the Brethren who had listened with such keen interest to another of the very fine Addresses given by M.W. Bro. Douglas.

PRESENTATION OF FIFTY-YEAR JEWEL

M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray called on M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence (25) to present to M.W. Bro.

Wm. Douglas a Fifty-year Jewel. M.W. Bro. Douglas was Initiated on March 17th, 1904, and later that year left his native Scotland and in September 1904, affiliated with St. John's Lodge No. 4 in Winnipeg. So keen was his interest in Freemasonry that his worth was recognized by the brethren of his Lodge and in 1910 he was elected Worshipful Master. In 1925, just 21 years after he was Initiated, the brethren of Manitoba accorded him the highest honor it could possibly confer, when he was elected M.W. Grand Master of this Grand Lodge. M.W. Bro. Lawrence said, "the recipient of this Jewel richly deserves it because of his qualities of heart and mind, but the Jewel is far more than a symbol of Fifty years membership—it is a physical token of admiration and respect of your brethren in Manitoba."

M.W. Bro. Douglas in acknowledging the presentation, remarked that he knew the Jewel was a visible emblem of the passing of time—"The passing of time brings memories of Masonic brethren and friends and how much greater to me than the jewel, are the happy memories brought to me at this time."

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray asked the Past District Deputy Grand Masters, the Elected and Appointed Officers to approach the Grand East, where he presented them with their Past Rank Certificates. To all, the Grand Master expressed his most sincere and grateful thanks for the faithful manner in which they had performed their duties, and the support given him during the past year.

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS

The following Resolutions of thanks were moved by M.W. Bro. C. E. Cole (7), seconded by W. Bro. I. Zipursky (143) and carried.

To Brothers James Reay and John Reay, the Pipers;

To the Officer Commanding the Royal Canadian Mounted Police for giving permission, and to Bro. Sgt. Major J. E. Primrose and the members of the Force who performed the excellent Flag Ceremony for us.

To the Management of the Fort Garry Hotel for the arrangements they made for our Grand Lodge Sessions, and to the Staff for the ready assistance and help at all times.

To all those who assisted in making our Grand Lodge Communication the success it proved to be.

And that a letter, signed by our present Grand Master, be forwarded to all concerned, expressing our appreciation.

INSTALLATION CEREMONIES

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray asked M.W. Brother Maurice S. Donovan (158), Grand Installing Officer, to assume the gavel.

M.W. Bro Donovan with the assistance of the Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein (141) and also, R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139) then installed the Grand Lodge Officers in their respective stations.

At the conclusion of Installation, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray said his last Official Act was to thank M.W. Brother Donovan for the very fine and impressive manner in which this Ceremony had been completed.

Speaking on behalf of the newly-elected Officers, the Junior Grand Warden, R.W. Bro. David Rothstein pledged support to the M.W. Grand Master and expressed the hope that the Grand Architect of the Universe would give them all strength to fulfil their duties.

PRESENTATIONS

On behalf of Grand Lodge, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray (141) presented the Grand Master, M.W. Brother John R. C. Evans with the Grand Master's Apron, and wished him a happy and successful year. In acknowledging this presentation, M.W. Brother Evans said he was grateful of the confidence placed in him, and he would endeavor to wear the Apron with dignity, and, whatever capabilities he may have would be used in the interests of Freemasonry in this Grand Jurisdiction; he would like the ensuing year to be one of great Masonic activity but requested the support of all present, as results could only be achieved with that help.

M.W. Brother Gray was then asked to rise and he received from the M.W. Grand Master on behalf of Grand Lodge, a Past Grand Master's Jewel. M.W. Brother Evans remarked, "I am delighted to have this privilege, which a year ago, did not seem possible. You are now restored to good health but there was an interval when you did not shirk your responsibilities when it would have been very easy to do so. You completed your duties in a way which only a nobleman of Nature, like yourself, could do, and I present this Jewel with a great deal of pride and hope that long may you be spared to wear it."

W. Bro. S. H. Allen, Worshipful Master of Tuscan Lodge No. 141 approached the Grand East and on behalf of the brethren of Tuscan Lodge presented to M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray an undress Past Grand Master's Apron as a mark of their appreciation for all his efforts, not only to Tuscan Lodge No. 141 but to our entire Jurisdiction.

M.W. Brother Gray thanked W. Bro. Allen for this lovely gift but said he hoped to be able to express his thanks more adequately at a meeting of his own Lodge, Tuscan No. 141.

The brethren united in the singing of the closing hymn, "Guide me O Thou Great Jehovah."

The business of this Seventy-ninth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons having been completed, the Acting Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. R. Fletcher Argue led the brethren in prayer and Grand Lodge was closed in Ample Form at 11.20 p.m. by the Grand Master, M.W. Brother John R. C. Evans.



Chas. Jackson

Grand Secretary.

FORM OF BEQUEST FOR THE BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA

The following form of Bequest may be used by any Brother desiring to bequeath any sum for the benefit of the Benevolent Endowment Fund of Grand Lodge:

"I, give unto my Executor or Executors the sum of (\$.....) upon trust to pay the same to the Grand Secretary for the time being, of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Manitoba, for the purposes and benefit of the Benevolent Endowment Fund of the said Grand Lodge, and I declare that the receipt for such sum of the said Grand Secretary shall be an absolute discharge for such payment.

.....Signed."

The Lodge Secretary will bring this to the attention of the brethren either at the Lodge Meeting or in the Monthly Notice.

BEQUESTS MADE TO THE BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA, A.F. & A.M.

To date, the following bequests made by members of the Craft have been received by the Benevolent Endowment Fund:

1952—Estate of the late W.Bro. Andrew Brown....	\$18,751.63
1953—Estate of the late W.Bro. Andrew Brown....	729.17
1953—Estate of the late Bro. Wm. Boyd.....	500.00
	\$19,980.80

GRAND LODGE LIBRARY

Brethren are reminded of the facilities offered by the Grand Lodge Library for increasing their Masonic Knowledge. Travelling sets of books, specially arranged for the use of country Lodges, are available, and individual country members can have books posted to them.

Full particulars may be obtained from the Grand Librarian, Masonic Temple, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS ELECTED AND APPOINTED FOR 1954-55

Grand Master.....	M.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans (113).....	Brandon
Deputy Grand Master.....	R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett (121).....	St. James
Senior Grand Warden.....	R.W. Bro. J. F. Irwin (24).....	Neepawa
Junior Grand Warden.....	R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein (141).....	Winnipeg
Grand Treasurer.....	R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4).....	Winnipeg
Grand Secretary.....	M.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3).....	Winnipeg
Grand Chaplain.....	R.W. Bro. J. E. Cooper (109).....	Portage la Prairie
Grand Historian.....	M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4).....	Winnipeg
G.D. of Ceremonies.....	R.W. Bro. W. D. G. Runions (130).....	Winnipeg
Grand Librarian.....	M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly (138).....	St. Vital
Senior Grand Deacon.....	V.W. Bro. J. M. Donovan (113).....	Brandon
Junior Grand Deacon.....	V.W. Bro. E. A. Winkler (43).....	Viriden
Senior Grand Steward.....	V.W. Bro. J. D. Houston (36).....	Boissevain
Junior Grand Steward.....	V.W. Bro. S. Sorenson (11).....	Gladstone
Grand Organist.....	V.W. Bro. C. R. Beswatherick (62).....	Russell
Grand Pursuivant.....	V.W. Bro. Geo. Milne (148).....	West Kildonan
Grand Tyler.....	V.W. Bro. R. D. Saunders (117).....	Belmont

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

1st Masonic District.....	R.W. Bro. A. C. Slessor (111).....	Winnipeg
2nd Masonic District.....	R.W. Bro. J. A. Davidson (24).....	Neepawa
3rd Masonic District.....	R.W. Bro. Myrton Mills (160).....	Starbuck
4th Masonic District.....	R.W. Bro. W. J. Breakey (13).....	Morden
5th Masonic District.....	R.W. Bro. S. H. Dayton (159).....	Newdale
6th Masonic District.....	R.W. Bro. J. G. Cobb (54).....	Melita
7th Masonic District.....	R.W. Bro. F. C. Courtice (19).....	Brandon
8th Masonic District.....	R.W. Bro. H. W. Davison (120).....	Greenridge
9th Masonic District.....	R.W. Bro. Allan Doak (94).....	Grandview
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12th Masonic District.....	R.W. Bro. Thos. Wilson (136).....	Norwood

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M.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans (113) Grand Master.....	Brandon
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R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4) Grand Treasurer.....	Winnipeg
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R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. M. E. MacKinnon (49)	MacGregor
R.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson (106)	Strathclair
R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter (111)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. W. A. Prugh (113)	Brandon
V.W. Bro. Nathan Rothstein (141)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. J. R. Glenn (144)	Winnipeg

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R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor (11)	Gladstone
R.W. Bro. F. C. Davey (93)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. H. S. Perdue (113)	Brandon
R.W. Bro. A. E. Duff (130)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139)	Winnipeg
W. Bro. E. M. Finkleman (143)	Winnipeg

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R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat

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M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe
R.W. Bro. W. P. White

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FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba,
A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit a report of my activities as your Representative in the First Masonic District of Manitoba for the year 1953-1954.

The First District, at a meeting held in June, 1953, re-elected V.W. Bro. David Mitchell of Northern Light Lodge No. 10 as District Treasurer. W. Bro. Stuart Parker of St. John's Lodge No. 4 subsequently was appointed Secretary and W. Bro. David Hanna was appointed Chaplain. The District Officers gave unstintingly of their time. They all were present on every official visit and at the meetings with the officers of the lodges of the First Masonic District.

The brethren of the First Masonic District were disappointed that you, Most Worshipful Sir, were not able to be installed as Grand Master at the regular Communication of Grand Lodge. Their solicitude for your health was evidenced by the many enquiries made by brethren in all lodges in the District. It was with satisfaction that they learned of your steady recovery and of your Installation on August 19, 1953, as Most Worshipful Grand Master.

Two meetings were held with the Masters', Wardens and Secretaries of the lodges for discussion of our problems and for the purpose of outlining our programme. The first meeting was held in September 1953, and the second in January 1954. These meetings were well attended and I believe beneficial to all. It is my opinion that meetings with the senior officers of the lodges not only afforded the opportunity of discussing problems and of outlining plans, but they are valuable in helping to clear up misunderstandings that develop from time to time.

My official visits to the lodges were as follows:

1953

October 6.....	"The Assiniboine" No. 114
October 8.....	Norwood No. 119
October 14.....	St. James No. 121
October 19.....	Empire No. 127
October 22.....	King Edward No. 93

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January 6.....	St. John's No. 4
January 13.....	Acacia No. 111
January 18.....	Ancient Landmark No. 3
February 1.....	Ionic No. 25
February 16.....	Prince Rupert's No. 1
February 18.....	Northern Light No. 10
March 2.....	Ashlar No. 162
March 4.....	Friendship No. 165

It was my privilege at each meeting to deliver a short talk on some Masonic topic. I also made one or more unofficial visits to the lodges for the purpose of witnessing degree work. The exemplification of degree work is well done. We have a group of young officers in all lodges who are showing interest in the office to which they were installed. The degree work which I saw has convinced me that all lodges are holding regular rehearsals and are earnestly trying to exemplify the degrees in the manner and with the sincerity intended by the Custodians of "The Work." Slight variations in the manner of doing the degree may occur but these variations tend to keep interest and in no way take away from the intention of the degree. The primary purpose of all lodges is to make good Masons and I believe the lodges of the First District are keeping this object in view and all are trying to do just that.

The District Meeting was held in the Masonic Temple on Monday, the 30th of November, 1953. We had the pleasure of having the presence of yourself and a large number of Grand Lodge officers on that occasion. Your remarks and the remarks of the other Grand Lodge officers were appreciated and enjoyed by all present.

The District Meeting was well attended by Masters, Wardens, other lodge officers, Past Masters, and Master Masons. Lively discussion took place and it is my opinion that the meeting was successful.

The District Secretary, W. Bro. Stuart Parker, prepared and read a summary of the reports from the lodges.

Only one name for the Office of District Deputy Grand Master for the First Masonic District, for the year 1954-55, was placed in nomination—that of W. Bro. Alex Slessor, of Acacia Lodge No. 111. He was declared elected subject to confirmation by Grand Master.

M.W. Bro. McMorran, I.P.G.M., in a fitting manner, thanked R.W. Bro. Russell Campbell for the excellence of his work as his representative in the First District for the year 1952-53, and presented him with the Apron, Collar, and Jewel of a P.D.D.G.M. R.W. Bro. Campbell replied in a suitable manner.

I was able to accept your invitation to accompany your representative, M.W. Bro. Blythe, on his visits to Fort Prince of Wales, Flin Flon, and The Pas Lodges. We had an interesting trip and it was enjoyed by all. I also had the pleasure of accompanying you on your visits to the district meetings at McCreary, Morris, and the Twelfth District in Winnipeg, as well as to several lodge visits and Area meetings.

I have been invited to and have attended, as your Representative, many social functions given by lodges of the First District. At all of these

functions, as well as at all lodge meetings, when attending as your representative, I was asked to convey to you a pledge of the loyal support of the brethren present.

The District Church Service was held on April 25th at the Crescent Fort Rouge United Church. The Rev. George Dyker, of St. John's Lodge No. 4, gave an interesting and inspiring Address. We were honored to have you and other Grand Lodge officers with us on that occasion.

Your efforts to establish a Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund are appreciated. The response to this appeal has not been as good as it should have been when considered from the number of members contributing, but has been very encouraging when considered by the average of the contributions from those contributing.

Friendship Lodge, in the Municipality of Fort Garry, which had been Under Dispensation, was Consecrated and Constituted by the Most Worshipful Grand Master at an interesting ceremony in September, 1953. There was a large number of Masons representing many lodges through the Grand Jurisdiction, present. The Grand Master's remarks were appreciated and enjoyed by all.

This new lodge has an excellent slate of Officers. It is making rapid progress and will, I feel sure, prove to be an asset to Masonry in this area.

I must, Most Worshipful Sir, express my thanks to the Masters and officers of the First Masonic District for the loyal support given me on my official visits. The average attendance of members accompanying me was 26.77. My task was made easier and much more pleasant from the support and encouragement given me. To the district officers I must also express my thanks. Every district officer was present on each and every official visit, at both meetings with district officers and the Church Service. It is not often one can report a 100% attendance of district officers and I am honored by being able to do so. Not only were the district officers present but they were always ready and willing to accept any assignment and carry out any request made to them. To R.W. Bro. Campbell, I.P.D.D.G.M., I extend my gratitude and thanks for his support and advice.

His loyalty in attending the meetings is appreciated. It is a personal regret to me that W. Bro. A. E. Boyle was unable, because of illness, to attend as much as he would have liked. We missed W. Bro. Boyle and I feel sure it is the earnest hope of all in the District that Ned will fully recover his health.

Finally, I wish to express my thanks to the brethren of the First Masonic District for honoring me in electing me as your District Deputy Grand Master. The friendships I have formed will long be remembered and will ever be a source of comfort and pleasure.

I must express my thanks to you for your many courtesies and help, to the Grand Secretary and to other Grand Lodge officers for their assistance. The Grand Librarian was most liberal with his time and advice. Whenever I went to him for material for my talks I never came away empty handed.

Fraternally submitted,

A. A. MACDONALD
D.D.G.M. First Masonic District.

SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba,
A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

My term of Office as your Representative of the Second Masonic District for 1953-54 being about to expire I submit my report on the condition of Freemasonry within this area.

Lodges officially visited were as follows:

Gothic Lodge No. 75, Austin	July 8, 1953
Gladstone Lodge No. 11, Gladstone	July 13, 1953
Union Lodge No. 108, Brookdale	July 16, 1953
St. Andrew's Lodge No. 116, Wellwood	August 3, 1953
Carberry Lodge No. 29, Carberry	September 22, 1953
Neepawa Lodge No. 24, Neepawa	October 13, 1953
Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, Portage la Prairie	October 19, 1953
Temple Lodge No. 49, MacGregor	November 17, 1953
McCreary Lodge No. 133, McCreary	February 10, 1954

Throughout the District most favorable Masonic progress exists. Enthusiasm for Masonic practise is apparent. The members are attending meetings more regularly and in greater numbers. Harmony and friendliness are general. Degree work well presented was witnessed at all official visits except two. Secretarial records are properly prepared. Finances in all Lodges are very sound and audited. Lodge Halls are being redecorated and at MacGregor a fine new commodious Lodge Hall has been built. A gratifying increase in new members is noted. The over-all picture reveals a most progressive and healthy condition.

Our District Meeting was attended by 135 brethren in spite of existing bad weather. It is the desire of those present Most Worshipful Sir, that I express their thanks and appreciation to you and your Suite for your kindly participation in our Programme. Your Address and those of M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni, M.W. Bro. C. E. Cole, Grand Secretary R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson and R.W. Bro. W. G. Pollock of Neepawa, contributed much to the success and enjoyment of that Meeting.

R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor presented Regalia to retiring District Deputy Grand Master R.W. Bro. H.A. Lye and paid high tribute to the excellent service he had rendered the District. R.W. Bro. Lye ably responded.

I would like to record my thanks for the kindly assistance you have given me Most Worshipful Master, also to Grand Secretary R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson, District Secretary R.W. Bro. T. E. Squire, the brethren of McCreary Lodge No. 133 and the Craft as a whole in the Second Masonic District who have contributed so much to make my Office one that I now reluctantly relinquish.

Fraternally submitted,

BENJAMIN ANGUS

D.D.G.M. Second Masonic District.

THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba,
A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration and approval my report of activities as your Representative in the Third Masonic District for the year 1953-1954.

It has been a pleasure and an honor to represent you and I should like at this time to thank all the brethren of the Third Masonic District for the great honor they have conferred on me and you Most Worshipful Sir, for confirming that election.

My first act on becoming your District Deputy Grand Master was to appoint W. Bro. W. R. Manning District Secretary and Bro. Rev. M. G. Pippy District Chaplain.

On June 22nd in company with several brethren from the several Lodges, I visited Cypress Lodge No. 82 on the occasion of their Fiftieth Anniversary. On August 19th, along with a few brethren I motored to Winnipeg to witness the Installation of our Grand Master, in the Masonic Temple.

With the assistance of my own Lodge and various brethren from neighboring Lodges, arrangements were made for our District Meeting. It was held at Holland on October 15th, and was well attended by all lodges in the District. Following the opening of the afternoon meeting, the District Secretary W. Bro. W. R. Manning as requested, compiled and read a report of the activities of all lodges in the District. The contributions to this report were I think a tribute to all the Secretaries in the District. "News and Reviews of Grand Lodge," by the Most Worshipful Grand Master Harry Gray, was well received and appreciated. The question and answer period conducted by R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett was a source of inspiration to all brethren present. V.W. Bro. Myrton Mills, of Starbuck Lodge No. 160, was unanimously elected to be District Deputy Grand Master for the year 1954-1955 subject to the approval of the Grand Master.

At the close of the afternoon session the brethren assembled in the Community Hall for a banquet capably prepared by the Anglican and United Church ladies.

On returning to the Lodge room it was my great privilege to officially receive the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray and suite. Following a few remarks from our Grand Master we called on M.W. Bro. Walter C. McDonald who delivered an inspiring Address.

The dates of my official visits were as follows:

Strathcona Lodge No. 117	October 27, 1953
Glenboro Lodge No. 48	November 10, 1953
Wawanesa Lodge No. 67	November 16, 1953
Swan Lake Lodge No. 109	November 18, 1953
Treherne Lodge No. 51	November 20, 1953
Cypress Lodge No. 82	November 23, 1953
Starbuck Lodge No. 160	November 26, 1953
Rathwell Lodge No. 87	December 1, 1953
Crescent Lodge No. 103	December 2, 1953
Holland Lodge No. 63	December 9, 1953

On the occasion of all my visits I was accompanied by brethren of my own Lodge and of neighboring lodges for which support I wish to express my thanks and appreciation.

During the month of February I again visited all lodges in the District and have visited a few of them three and four times. With the exception of two, I have witnessed degree work in all the lodges in the District. This work in my opinion was very well exemplified.

On March 15, of this year, with several brethren I visited Wawanesa Lodge No. 67 and had the pleasure of witnessing the presentation of a fifty year Jewel to W. Bro. Ira Mayhew by Past Grand Master M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran.

On March 30, Crescent Lodge No. 103 dedicated their new Lodge Hall—truly a great credit to them. Indications point to an effort of a similar nature by Starbuck Lodge No. 160 in the near future. Good luck to them.

The District Secretary summoned all lodges to attend the District Committee of General Purposes meeting on April 5. With two exceptions all were present and all items within their Jurisdiction were disposed of.

The District Church service was held on May 2, at Holland with Bro. Rev. Clifford Manning officiating. Owing to the condition of the roads, the representation was not as large as might have been expected.

It has been my privilege to attend four meetings of the Board of General Purposes during my term of office.

It has been brought to my attention that Wawanesa Lodge No. 67 intends to present a Fifty-year Jewel to R.W. Bro. H.E. Mitchell on May 25, this year.

In conclusion I would again like to express my appreciation to the Third Masonic District for the honor they have conferred on me and to you Most Worshipful Sir, for your confirmation.

Yours fraternally,

J. A. SUNDELL
D.D.G.M. Third Masonic District.

FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba,
A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

As the term of my office, as your Representative of the Fourth Masonic District draws to a close, I have the honor to submit for your consideration and approval the report of my activities.

On assuming the duties of office, I appointed Bro. Frank Morrison as our District Secretary and W. Bro. Thos. Shelton as our District Chaplain.

These brethren accompanied me on my official visits and on some unofficial visits. We usually had one full carload and sometimes two on each trip.

I made one official visit and in most cases two or more unofficial visits to each Lodge in the District.

My first duty was to call all of the Masters, Wardens and Secretaries together for a round table conference to give them instructions on the mechanics of the lodge work and to discuss any problems they might have. At Manitou we had representatives from Morden, Mound, Crystal, Cartwright and Manitou Lodges, one night, and at Killarney representatives from Doric and Killarney Lodges. These meetings seemed to be just what the officers of each lodge wanted and proved a wonderful starting point for me in my work.

I made an unofficial visit to most of the Lodges before our District Meeting. This in my opinion was very much to the benefit of the Craft and also to myself by meeting the brethren in their own Lodges, discussing everyday occurrences and also their little problems.

On my official visits I was received in the Proper Masonic manner. The topic on which I spoke was a follow-up on the round table conference, that we had had with the Masters and Wardens, also the necessity for care in the reception of candidates, as Our House is only as strong as the weakest timber, and our chain, the weakest link.

The condition of Freemasonry in the District and the harmony within the Lodges appeared quite favorable to me. There appears to be a considerable amount of visiting being done, not only among our own Lodges, but with those across the International Boundary.

In this respect I am most happy to report that Crystal Lodge No. 71, Mound Lodge No. 118, and Manitou Lodge No. 30, acted as joint hosts to a number of Lodges from North Dakota as an "International Night" held in Mound Lodge, where the Master Masons degree was exemplified in a most efficient and inspiring manner. This was followed by a buffet banquet which was enjoyed very much and many happy contacts were established, which is one of the prime purposes of such affairs.

With reference to the degree work witnessed on my official and unofficial visits, I was favorably impressed by the dignity and the efficient manner in which the degrees were conferred.

A great stimulation to my work as District Deputy Grand Master in the Fourth Masonic District was my trip to Churchill last summer with the Masonic brethren of Manitoba and the Officers of Grand Lodge.

Finally, I would like to thank the brethren of the District for my election to the office of District Deputy Grand Master and to you, Most Worshipful Sir, for your confirmation of this election. I hope that in some small way I have contributed something to the benefit of the Craft and that I have left the brethren with additional food for thought.

Fraternally submitted,

N. H. ASHLEY

D.D.G.M. Fourth Masonic District.

FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba,
A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I herewith submit for your consideration and approval my report, as your Representative for the Fifth Masonic District.

My first official duty was to attend the Consecration of Woodworth Lodge on July 10th 1953, at which M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran and several Past Grand Masters were present, besides other Grand Lodge Officers; it was a splendid meeting, over thirty Lodges being represented.

The District meeting was held in the United Church, Strathclair, on October 23, 1953. The afternoon session opened at 2.30 p.m. W. Bro. T. D. McLean of Strathclair welcomed the brethren.

A summarized report of the Lodges was read by the Secretary. R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett asked for an opinion of the report as given. R.W. Bro. R. Peel said the report was too brief. It was pointed out by the District Deputy Grand Master that the individual reports did not supply the information required to make an interesting summary.

M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray gave a short talk on the subject and suggested that each lodge assist the Secretary in compiling and preparing the report for the Annual District Meeting.

The question period, conducted by R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett created keen interest. Several questions were asked and satisfactorily answered by R.W. Bro. Emmett and R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson. R.W. Bro. H. S. Perdue exemplified the Penalties.

The meeting adjourned at 5.30 p.m.

A banquet was served in the Municipal Hall at 6 o'clock p.m., the wives of the members of Strathclair Lodge being in charge. At the conclusion of the dinner, Toasts were proposed to the Queen, the Craft, and the M.W. Grand Master. The Grand Master responded to the toast, ably assisted by R.W. Bro. J.R.C. Evans Deputy Grand Master.

The evening session opened at 8 p.m. when R.W. Bro. G.V. Henderson introduced the Grand Master and his suite. Accompanying the Grand Master were M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, P.G.M.; R.W. Bro. J.R.C. Evans, D.G.M. and R.W. Bro. R.E. Emmett, S.G.W.; R.W. Bro. J.F. Irwin, J.G.W. and R.W. Bro. Thos C. Jackson, Grand Secretary.

R.W. Bro. Jackson gave a short Address after which R.W. Bro. Emmett conducted another question period.

M.W. Bro. Gray, Grand Master, then spoke on the subject of creating a Masonic Disaster Fund, and asked for a show of hands, the meeting voted unanimously in favor of such a fund.

W. Bro. S. H. Dayton of Newdale Lodge No. 159, being the only nominee for the office of District Deputy Grand Master was declared elected, subject to the approval of the Grand Master.

M.W. Bro. H. H. Gray then presented R.W. Bro. Fleming with the regalia of a Past District Deputy Grand Master and complimented him on

the faithful performance of his duties. R.W. Bro. Fleming thanked the brethren for the regalia and also for their co-operation.

M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole gave a short talk which was much appreciated and greatly enjoyed.

The following is a list of my Official Visits. Many of the Lodges I visited a second time.

Corinthian Lodge No. 15.....	August 4th, 1953
Foxwarren Lodge No. 152.....	August 5th, 1953
Newdale Lodge No. 159.....	August 6th, 1953
Miniota Lodge No. 102.....	August 27th, 1953
Woodworth Lodge No. 166.....	September 8th, 1953
Minnedosa Lodge No. 14.....	September 10th, 1953
Harmony Lodge No. 142.....	September 17th, 1953
Hamiota Lodge No. 84.....	September 22nd, 1953
Rivers Lodge No. 115.....	September 28th, 1953
Shoal Lake Lodge No. 92.....	October 8th, 1953
Russell Lodge No. 62.....	October 13th, 1953
Binscarth Lodge No. 101.....	October 19th, 1953
Strathclair Lodge No. 106.....	October 20th, 1953
Birtle Lodge No. 39.....	November 16th, 1953

I was also glad to be able to visit the Sixth Masonic District Meeting at Hartney, accompanied by W. Bro. W.A. Hunter, District Secretary. I attended nearly all the meetings of the Board in Winnipeg.

A Church Service was held in the United Church, Strathclair, on Sunday September 27th. A large number of Masons attended. The service was conducted by the District Chaplain Bro. Rev. A. Friebert.

I attended the funeral at Birtle of R.W. Bro. F.C. Barber, a Past District Deputy Grand Master of this District and a Mason for over 50 years. The large number of Masons attending this funeral attested to the high regard in which this worthy Brother was held.

On April 29th I attended along with the District Secretary and W. Bro. S. G. Sinclair, the area meeting at Kenton. It was indeed a fine meeting, a goodly number of Masons being present. We enjoyed a fine Banquet during which the usual Toasts were given.

The evening session consisted of a sing-song, a question period, and a short debate. It was very interesting and informative, and I think that these meetings are a fine thing for the getting together of Masons from a distance, which does not come too often.

I received a very cordial reception on all my visits. I endeavored in my talks to the Brethren to outline the part Masonry is playing, or should play in our daily lives, working towards a new tomorrow.

I found the Lodges generally in good condition; there seems to be an increase in membership, with more work to do. I can safely say, that the Fifth Masonic District is steadily improving, the work is very well done and enthusiasm general in most Lodges.

I want to express my thanks to the Brethren of the District for electing me to this office, and to you Most Worshipful Sir for confirming my election. I have spent a most enjoyable year, and while the District is a large one, I have had much pleasure in all my visits. I want to thank the District Secretary W. Bro. W. A. Hunter and the District Chaplain Bro. Rev. A.

Friebert for their services. To W. Bro. Hunter my grateful thanks for his kindness in using his car in taking me on many of my visits. His company was much appreciated, and anything I wanted him to do was done cheerfully.

To the members of Strathclair Lodge also my thanks for nominating me, and for their support during my term of office. I shall always be grateful to my Mother Lodge.

I want to express my appreciation to the Grand Secretary and his staff for their advice and assistance, which was always available. In conclusion I can only say that if I have in any way contributed to the spirit of Freemasonry in the District, I have been amply repaid by the friendly co-operation I received from all the members of the various Lodges, and the many friendships I have made during my term. It is with a feeling of regret that I pass on my badge of office to my successor.

Fraternally submitted,

H. M. MAYHEW

D.D.G.M. Fifth Masonic District.

SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba,
A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your approval and consideration, my report of activities as your Representative in the Sixth Masonic District for the term 1953-54. Your kindly words of encouragement and advice, I will always cherish.

I have visited each of the eight lodges officially and revisited most of them informally, witnessing degree work. I realized the harmony and good will that exists among the brethren in each lodge throughout the District and that is proof positive that Freemasonry when built on the foundation of Justice, Truth, Tolerance and Brotherly Love, is bound to prosper—nothing more is needed to make it a success.

After my election I appointed R.W. Bro. J.C. Duthie, District Secretary and W. Bro. Rev. W. Donogh, District Chaplain, and I have appreciated their assistance greatly. Our District Meeting was held in Hartney on October the 2nd, afternoon and evening. M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray, Grand Master was accompanied by several Grand Lodge officers. The afternoon session was practically taken up with a Question and Answer period, R.W. Bro. R.E. Emmett, S.G.W. conducting. Many of the brethren took part which made an interesting as well as educational event.

The selection of District Deputy Grand Master for 1954-55 was W. Bro. J.G. Cobb of Oriental Lodge No. 54. No other name being submitted, W. Bro. Cobb was declared elected subject to the approval of the Grand Master. A very fine banquet was prepared by the Order of the Eastern Star at 6 p.m. R.W. Bro. G. Landreth presided as Toast Master. The evening session was well attended and concluded the business after which came some very interesting Addresses by the M.W. Grand Master and several Grand Lodge Officers.

The pleasure and privilege that has been mine in visiting the various lodges has done much to increase my knowledge of Masonry, and words cannot adequately express the satisfaction that comes from meeting good and true men of Masonic Lodges; and now I will give you in brief a few highlights of the events that I experienced during my official visits. At Oriental Lodge No. 54 it so happened they were celebrating their Sixtieth Anniversary and P.D.D.G.M. R.W. Bro. W.R. Cosgrove was the guest speaker. At Glenwood Lodge No. 27 M.W. Bro. G.A. McMorran was presented with a Past Grand Master's Undress Apron. The presentation on behalf of Glenwood Lodge was ably done by V.W. Bro. McLaren, Ewart; and just recently Glenwood Lodge celebrated their Seventieth Anniversary. I was unable to attend owing to the storm and condition of the roads, but our own lodge was represented by our W. Master and he gave me a splendid report. At Elgin Lodge No. 86 Past Master's Night was held and the veteran Past Masters conducted the meeting well, opening and closing perfectly. At Kilwinning Lodge No. 110, the highlight of the evening was a suitable gift to Bro. Joseph McKee, one of their veteran members who had recently celebrated his 95th year. Although he was unable to be there, his son W. Bro. T.C. McKee replied, thanking the brethren on behalf of his father.

In conclusion, I wish to express again my appreciation to you M.W. Bro. Gray for confirming my election to this high office and also to thank the brethren of the Sixth Masonic District for nominating me, and the full support they have given me during my term as District Deputy Grand Master.

Fraternally submitted,

R. H. GIBSON

D.D.G.M. Sixth Masonic District.

SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba,
A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I beg to submit my annual report for the Seventh Masonic District for the year 1953-54.

On August 12, 1953, I held a meeting of Worshipful Masters and Secretaries in this District at Oak Lake, and all matters, relative to the District Annual Meeting held at Virden on October 1st 1953, were discussed, and necessary arrangements made. As District Deputy Grand Master, I discussed plans for my visits to the lodges, as well as several important routine proceedings in lodge work.

At the District Annual Meeting, held in Virden October 1st 1953, there were present one hundred and twenty-four members, as per register. Each lodge in the District was well represented at both sessions. At the afternoon session, W. Bro. A. A. Megaffin, the District Secretary, read a summary of the lodge reports and worthwhile discussion followed. The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray, contributed greatly to the discussion. This was followed by the reading of two nominations for the position of District Deputy Grand Master of this District for the coming

year, namely: V.W. Bro. F.C. Courtice of Brandon Lodge No. 19, and W. Bro. C. Motheral of Oak Lake Lodge No. 44.

There was a large attendance at the evening session, which was held in the lower hall of St. Paul's United Church, Virden, and after the usual Toast, the Grand Master and his suite were formally admitted. This was followed by a brief summary of the proceedings at the afternoon session. The ballot resulted in V.W. Bro. F.C. Courtice of Brandon Lodge No. 19, being chosen to be the District Deputy Grand Master of the Seventh Masonic District for 1954-55.

R.W. Bro. C. Moore then introduced M.W. Bro. M.S. Donovan, who gave a fine Address on the "Fundamentals, Ideals and Philosophy of Freemasonry." The final Address was given by the Grand Master who gave some splendid advice, relative to lodge routine matters, how to make meetings more interesting and what steps one should take to become a better Mason. He also stressed the importance of systematic reading, and a greater use of the Masonic Library.

During the year (September 1st to May, 1954) I have had the pleasure of visiting all the lodges in this District, at least twice, and some more often. I was well received on each occasion, and I believe the visits were worthwhile. During the first term, I addressed the brethren on "The History of Freemasonry" and from January until May, I saw degree work and spoke on the degree that was put on that night. The attendance at those meetings was very gratifying, there being evidence of real interest and enthusiasm.

At Fenwick Lodge No. 158, I saw the Entered Apprentice degree; the Fellow Craft degree at Brandon Lodge No. 19, and the Master Mason degree at Elkhorn, Lansdowne, Lebanon and Tweed Lodges. There were always brethren from other lodges at these meetings, and a fine spirit of Masonic fellowship prevailed. On several occasions, a degree team visited another lodge and put on the degree. These occasions were worthwhile.

Altogether, I was very pleased with the apparent interest in all the lodges, and I feel confident that Masonry is being given very serious consideration in the District.

There was a real appreciation in all the lodges, re the Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund, and the contributions clearly indicate very general response to this worthy appeal, the total amount from Seventh Masonic District being \$1,159.14.

Our annual District Church Service, which was held in St. Paul's United Church, Virden, May 16th at 7.00 p.m. was very well attended, there being over seventy brethren. Rev. Bro. D.B. Sparling, the minister, gave an inspiring sermon, his subject being "The True meaning of Brotherhood."

In closing, I wish to state that I appreciated the honor of being the District Deputy Grand Master of this District, and to the best of my ability, did what I could to accept the great responsibility. I am quite sure that I received a great deal more from the brethren that I gave, and appreciate more than I ever did the real meaning of Fellowship and Brotherhood, as applied to Masonry. Finally, I would like to thank the Grand Secretary and his staff, as well as our Grand Master and his assistants, who, in many ways, assisted me during my term of Office.

Fraternally and sincerely yours,

CLARENCE MOORE

D.D.G.M. Seventh Masonic District.

EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba,
A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

Having had the honor of being your Representative for the Eighth Masonic District during the term 1953-54, it is with great pleasure, accompanied with a feeling of sadness, that I submit for your approval a report of my activities during my term of office.

The term has been one of pleasant acquaintances, also a year of learning for me and I am sorry that it is finished. It has proved to be an experience I will always remember.

My first official act was to appoint W. Bro. C. C. Dixon, District Secretary and R.W. Bro. A. J. Sawatzky, District Chaplain, both brethren being of King Solomon Lodge No. 8.

I called a meeting of all Principal Officers in the District held on Sunday August 30th, 1953. However, due to some lodges being in recess and the stress of the harvest season, this conference was ill-attended and very little was accomplished.

With the assistance of Grand Lodge Officers and the Past District Deputy Grand Masters of the Eighth Masonic District and the untiring efforts of the District Secretary, the District Meeting was arranged and held in the Masonic Hall in Morris on October 9th 1953. The attendance was a good average only one lodge not being represented. The afternoon session included a summary of lodge reports, by the District Secretary. A period of Masonic Information was conducted, very ably, by R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett, S.G.W. and R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein, G.D. of C. who exemplified and explained the penalties in the Three Degrees.

The meeting was adjourned to attend a banquet, served in the basement of the United Church, the caterers being the ladies of Sheba Chapter No. 51, Order of Eastern Star. I would like to record here, my sincere thanks to the ladies for their kindness and for the support they gave me, thereby ensuring the success of the banquet. The evening session was well attended.

After you, Most Worshipful Sir, and your suite had been introduced by W. Bro. L. A. Taylor, and received, the business was resumed. The name of W. Bro. H. W. Davison of Penza Lodge No. 120 was the only one submitted for the office of District Deputy Grand Master for this District and the nominee was elected by acclamation, subject to confirmation by the Grand Master.

The presentation by you, Most Worshipful Sir, of regalia to R.W. Bro. J. J. Tjaden, was made in your usual efficient manner and the recipient responded with a few well chosen remarks.

At your request M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas delivered an excellent Address to the members present which concluded a very happy and successful meeting.

The dates of my official visits in the District are as follows:

Sprague Lodge No. 132.....	October 7th, 1953
Emerson Lodge No. 6.....	October 15th, 1953
Midlothian Lodge No. 90.....	October 19th, 1953
Penza Lodge No. 120.....	October 27th, 1953
East Star Lodge No. 55.....	November 3rd, 1953
Patricia Lodge No. 125.....	November 4th, 1953
Shiloh Lodge No. 70.....	November 12th, 1953
Carman Lodge No. 155.....	November 17th, 1953
King Solomon Lodge No. 8.....	February 9th, 1954

I was received as your Representative with proper Masonic honors at all lodges and all Officers and Secretaries gave me courteous and friendly co-operation in compiling my reports on their activities.

I had the pleasure of witnessing degree work at all lodges but one, such work being demonstrated either on official or casual visits. I visited all lodges in the District twice or more with the exception of Sprague; the location of the latter forced me to limit my trips there to one.

Degree work, generally speaking, was very well done, most of the officers proving proficient in their work, the few exceptions being traceable to nerves, for which they may be excused.

I had the pleasure of accompanying you on several of your official visits. I attended the First, Sixth and Twelfth District Meetings, the Constitution of Friendship Lodge at Fort Garry and the Opening of the new Hall of Crescent Lodge No. 103 at Elm Creek. I was present at the Open Air Meeting at Walhalla, N.D. and also at your Installation to your Office in August at the Masonic Temple at Winnipeg.

I have attended all Board Meetings and have found them very interesting and instructive.

I have arranged for the Annual District Church Service to be held in Morris on Sunday May 16th 1954, and M.W. Bro. Rev. H. B. Donnelly has kindly consented to conduct the service, I hope that we have a good attendance.

Concluding this report I must say this year has been most interesting and instructive for me. I have tried to follow your instructions and bring before the District the true meaning of Freemasonry. Always will I remember the following and support I received from all lodges in the District, especially those accompanying me on my official visits. I was, I am sure, greatly honored and words cannot express my feelings.

I wish to thank the District for electing me to this Office and you, Most Worshipful Sir, for confirming my election.

As I relinquish my Office to my successor I can only say to the members of the Eighth Masonic District, if they have learned one small part of the true meaning of Freemasonry that I have learned during my term of Office, then have I done a good job.

Fraternally submitted,

WALTER J. HAMBLIN

D.D.G.M. Eighth Masonic District.

NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba,
A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

It is with great pleasure that I have the honor of submitting my report, for your consideration and approval, of the activities as your Representative in the Ninth Masonic District for the term 1953-1954.

My first act on becoming your District Deputy Grand Master was the appointment of R.W. Bro. Geo. Russenholt of Favel Lodge No. 126 as District Secretary, and W. Bro. J. F. Johnstone of Favel Lodge 126 as District Chaplain. I am sorry to report that owing to poor health my District Secretary was only able to be with me at two Official visits.

Our District Meeting was well attended considering the condition of the roads at that time. Every lodge in the District was represented. R.W. Bro. Foshner presented the Most Worshipful the Grand Master Harry H. Gray, who introduced his suite, as follows:

M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe, R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett, R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson, R.W. Bro. A. Caughlin, R.W. Bro. J. Edge, V.W. Bro. J. N. Cotton, V.W. Bro. Kitney, R.W. Bro. Wm. Foshner, R.W. Bro. Kelso, R.W. Bro. Geo Russenholt.

On my Official visits I tried to carry out all the instructions I had received from Grand Lodge. I might say that they were well received, and I received a very warm welcome from all the lodges in the District.

The dates of my official visits were as follows:

Favel Lodge No. 126.....	August 4th, 1953
Hiram Lodge No. 94.....	August 20th, 1953
Prince Arthur Lodge No. 105.....	October 1st, 1953
Vermillion Lodge No. 68.....	October 6th, 1953
Roblin Lodge No. 122.....	November 9th, 1953
Robbie Burns Lodge No. 100.....	November 11th, 1953
Jubilee Lodge No. 147.....	November 12th, 1953
Victory Lodge No. 128.....	November 18th, 1953

I also made one visit to Robbie Burns Lodge to inspect the Guild Hall, where they are now holding lodge meetings.

I also went to Roblin to inspect their new lodge hall, and I would like to say it is a great credit to Roblin Lodge to have such a fine lodge hall.

I also made a second visit to Vermillion Lodge No. 68, and Prince Arthur Lodge No. 105 to witness degree work. I am sorry to say I did not witness degree work in all the lodges, because when I planned to go the roads were in bad shape. But the work I did witness was put on in a very able manner.

I also attended the Area Meeting at Roblin on April 30th, 1954.

It is with regret that it is my duty to report the passing to the Grand Lodge Above of the following brethren of the Ninth Masonic District:

Vermillion Lodge No. 68. R. W. Bro. Arthur Lawrence Wrye, Bro. Archie Chute, Bro. Maynard Wm. Murray (L.M.), Bro. John Henry Sump-ton, Bro. J. H. Richardson, Bro. T. A. Johnstone. Hiram Lodge No. 94, Bro.

Frank McEwan, Bro. Alexander Patterson, W. Bro. Wm. Dawson, Bro. Harold McLennon, W. Bro. Thomas Johnstone, Bro. Clifford Dalglish, Bro. Charlie Taylor, Bro. R. M. Williamson. Robbie Burns Lodge No. 100, W. Bro. C. F. Caldwell, W. Bro. L. H. Arnett. Prince Arthur Lodge No. 105, Bro. Jarl Johner. Favel Lodge No. 126, W. Bro. W. C. Watson, R.W. Bro. R. F. Hunter, W. Bro. Alex Maltman, W. Bro. Jas S. Maltman. Roblin Lodge No. 122, R.W. Bro. Fred Star. Victory Lodge No. 128, W. Bro. Charles Henry Goodman, Bro. Franklin Stonehouse.

During my term of Office, I greatly appreciated the opportunity of attending the meetings of the Board of General Purposes.

Now that my duties of Office as District Deputy Grand Master of the Ninth Masonic District are complete, I would like to thank all the brethren for the assistance they have given me, and to you Most Worshipful Sir, for confirming my election to this Office. It has been one of the happiest years in Masonry for me.

Yours fraternally,

J. E. BURNETT

D.D.G.M. Ninth Masonic District.

TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba,
A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit my report on the condition of Freemasonry in the Tenth Masonic District, and on my activities as your Representative during the past year.

I have visited officially each of the eleven lodges comprising the district and revisited two lodges in order to witness degree work.

My Official Visits were made as follows: Harry Woods Lodge No. 164 August 25th, Stony Mountain Lodge No. 134 September 2nd, Transcona Lodge No. 123 on September 4th, Stonewall Lodge No. 12 on February 11th, Seven Oaks Lodge No. 148 on September 11th, Manitouwapa Lodge No. 156 on September 15th, Ophir Lodge No. 112 on September 21st, Pine Falls Lodge No. 154 on October 9th, The Dormer Lodge No. 151 on October 6th, Kildonan Lodge No. 131 on October 13th, and Lisgar Lodge No. 2 on October 20th.

During my term of office I was able to witness degree work in all lodges of the District and was impressed with the general sincerity and efficiency displayed. This is especially commendable in those rural lodges where the wide dispersal of members prevents regular practices. On my Official Visits I addressed each lodge on one of the Three Degrees, confining my remarks to the degree appropriate to the work of the evening. I have good reason to believe, from the attention paid to my words, that these were favorably received.

Progress, materially, has been made in the district. Where lodges do not already own their meeting places we find them working towards that end. All lodges carry fire insurance but some lodges might be well advised

to revise the amount carried. This in view of the ever increasing costs of replacement.

Membership of the district shows an over-all gain of sixteen for the year 1953. The records also declare that during that same period twenty-five of our brethren have left us in answer to that summons which all must obey when issued by the Most High to join the Grand Lodge above. We affectionately honor their memory.

At our District Meeting held at Beausejour on October 8th 1953, W. Bro. H. K. Hutson was regularly nominated as District Deputy Grand Master for 1954-55. There being no other nominations W. Bro. Hutson of Stonewall Lodge No. 12 was duly declared District Deputy Grand Master Elect for that period subject to the approval of the M.W. Grand Master. Other activities of the District Meeting have been elsewhere reported to Grand Lodge.

In conclusion I would like to acknowledge a debt of gratitude to all those who have helped me so unstintingly in my duties. To those responsible for my election to office, to the Lodge Masters, Officers and Members who made every Official Visit a highlight to remember and to my suite and fellow lodge members who accompanied me on my visits, to all of these I express my gratitude. To R.W. Bro. Wm. Bird, P.D.D.G.M. also, I would like to tender my thanks for the advice and encouragement he was always ready to give.

Finally I wish to express my opinion that the spirit of fellowship and brotherly love is abroad throughout the Tenth Masonic District, and that when and where this prevails there should be no lack of hope for the future. Also on behalf of the membership of the District I would assure you of our warm personal esteem and loyalty to the High Office which you hold.

I trust that my efforts during the past year have been of some assistance to you in carrying out your own heavy duties.

Fraternally and sincerely submitted,

J. A. LONGBOTTOM

D.D.G.M. Tenth Masonic District.

TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba,
A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit my report as District Deputy Grand Master for the Twelfth Masonic District.

First of all I would like to express to my brethren of the Twelfth Masonic District my sincere thanks and appreciation for the confidence they placed in me, and the honor they conferred upon me in electing me District Deputy Grand Master for this District for the Masonic year 1953-54, and to you Most Worshipful Sir for confirming my election to that High Office. It has been a great privilege as well as a joy and inspiration to work for the brethren of this District, and under you as your District Deputy. Again I say, thanks.

During my term of office, I visited all of the lodges in the District as follows:

Capitol Lodge No. 136.....	October 2nd, 1953
Fort Osborne Lodge No. 144.....	October 6th, 1953
Charleswood Lodge No. 163.....	October 12th, 1953
Fort Garry Lodge No. 130.....	October 14th, 1953
Beaver Lodge No. 139.....	November 12th, 1953
Tuscan Lodge No. 141.....	November 13th, 1953
Meridian Lodge No. 140.....	November 19th, 1953
Mount Sinai Lodge No. 143.....	November 26th, 1953
Windsor Lodge No. 138.....	January 11th, 1954
Lord Selkirk Lodge No. 137.....	January 13th, 1954
Sturgeon Creek Lodge No. 145.....	February 1st, 1954
Fidelity Lodge No. 146.....	February 5th, 1954

On each of these occasions I was received fittingly as your personal Representative.

I found in my visits to the various lodges, a keen Masonic spirit and atmosphere, and a sincere desire on the part of the brethren to advance and further the interest and spirit of the Craft within their lodge and community; also among the Masters and Officers, a desire to fulfil the duties assigned to them efficiently and well.

All lodges and brethren expressed deep concern and best wishes for your recovery to full health and service, and loyalty to both yourself and to your High Office.

I endeavored in my addresses to the brethren to emphasize the importance of friendship and brotherhood, both in and out of the lodge room, also the need for preparation for Masonic service, so sorely needed in the tired and complex world of to-day.

It is observed that while the great avalanche of applications for membership following World War II, is to some extent tapering off, there is still a steady and probably a more healthy growth among the lodges.

Unfortunately, due to circumstances beyond my control, I was unable as was my earlier intention, to make a second visit to some of the lodges to witness degree work. It is my hope that I shall be able to make some of these visits before the term of my office expires. I am, however, sufficiently familiar with the work of the lodges in this District from past experience to be well aware of the work that is being done, and from that experience I do not hesitate to say that there is little need for concern on that score.

It was also my good fortune to be permitted to accompany the Most Worshipful Grand Master on some of his Official Visits, and derived great benefit therefrom.

The District Meeting of the Twelfth Masonic District was held in the Masonic Temple, Winnipeg January 29th 1954, and was a very successful meeting. We were honored on that occasion by the presence of the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Bro. Harry H. Gray accompanied by a very goodly number of Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Lodge Officers. M.W. Bro. Gray in speaking to the brethren chose to depart from the usual heavy Address, and spoke on a more friendly level on the more homely and intimate aspect of Freemasonry, which was greatly enjoyed and appreciated by all the brethren present.

A short talk on the meaning and function of Grand Lodge and the duties of the Grand Secretary, was given by the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Thos C. Jackson.

At this meeting, W. Bro. Thomas Wilson, Past Master of Capitol Lodge No. 136, was elected District Deputy Grand Master of the District for the Masonic year 1954-1955, and was so declared subject to the approval of the incoming Grand Master.

It was my privilege and pleasure, accompanied by my wife, to attend the family or ladies' nights of some of the lodges as follows:

Beaver Lodge No. 139 Ladies' and International Night at the Assiniboine Hotel, Albany Room, September 6th, on which occasion the brethren entertained the members of Euclid Lodge, Duluth, Minn., and their ladies. This event was preceded by a lodge meeting with the brethren of Euclid Lodge held in the Masonic Temple in the afternoon. These are I understand, alternate year visits between the two lodges and are certainly to be commended.

Mount Sinai Lodge No. 143, Ladies' Night at the Glendale Country Club, November 5th.

Fort Garry Lodge No. 130 Ladies' and International Night, held at the Assiniboine Hotel, Albany Room, March 4th, when the brethren of Fort Garry Lodge entertained the members of Tongue River Lodge, Cavalier, N.D., and their ladies. This was a return visit made by Fort Garry Lodge brethren and their ladies to Cavalier in November. Both of these visits were most enjoyable and strengthened further the firm bond of friendship that has existed between these two lodges over the past fifteen years of exchange of visits.

Capitol Lodge No. 136 Ladies' Night held at the Marlborough Hotel March 12th.

Charleswood Lodge No. 163 Ladies' Night held at the Assiniboine Hotel, Albany Room, March 26th.

Tuscan Lodge No. 141 Ladies' Night at the St. Charles Hotel, Empire Room, March 30th.

I wish to express appreciation to the Worshipful Masters, Officers and Members of these lodges for their courtesy in inviting us to these very splendid gatherings. They were most enjoyable and I believe make a worthwhile contribution to the welfare of the lodges.

It is very gratifying to observe the increase that is taking place in the matter of lodge visitations, particularly between lodges of the city and country, and with lodges in the United States. "Go often to the home of thy friend, or the weeds will soon choke up the path." We should keep that truth in constant reminder and make Masonic visits as often as possible, either or both as a lodge or individually as Masons.

The Twelfth Masonic District Divine Service was held this year on April 9th, at Rosh Pina Synagogue. A large turnout of brethren were in attendance and a very fine and inspiring sermon was given by Rabbi Chiel of Rosh Pina. I was extended the courtesy of addressing a few words to the brethren on the occasion. At the conclusion of the Service the members of Rosh Pina entertained the brethren at a buffet supper.

At this time I would like to record my personal thanks and those of the brethren of the Twelfth Masonic District to Rabbi Chiel and the congregation of Rosh Pina Synagogue for their kindness in inviting us to conduct our Divine Service in that beautiful Synagogue, and for the warmth of the welcome extended to us on the occasion.

The outstanding event of the Masonic year in the District was the formation and Institution of Menorah Lodge, held in the East Kildonan Masonic Temple, January 20th, 1954. This new lodge, sponsored by the brethren of Mount Sinai Lodge No. 143, was Instituted on the above date by the Most Worshipful Grand Master and Officers of Grand Lodge. I am confident that Menorah Lodge U.D. will make a worthwhile contribution to Freemasonry in this District and in their community. We welcome Menorah Lodge into the family of lodges of the Twelfth Masonic District.

In conclusion, I would like to pay tribute and say thank you, to my District Officers: W. Bro. G. Scott, District Secretary; W. Bro. S. C. Swanton, District Treasurer; and W. Bro. Archie Hecht, District Chaplain, for the splendid support and assistance afforded to me during my term of office. It has been a great source of comfort to know that these brethren were ever ready with advice and assistance whenever it was necessary to call upon them.

To every member of the entire District I again extend my sincere thanks for their confidence and for their support. That I have failed in many things I am well aware, but I rejoice in the fact and the knowledge that my brethren have been most charitable to my short-comings and my limited ability. It has been a year of rich experience, rich in friendship that I hold and prize so highly, but above all a year of renewed faith in Freemasonry that I am sure will, under the guiding hand of the Great Architect of the Universe, lighten the burden of our fellow men.

Gather the gifts of the generous years,
The griefs, the joys, the trembling tears:
The will to work: the time to play:
The courage to stand in a rainy day.
The faith to follow a rocky road,
The strength to strive with a heavy load.
Hang them high on mem'ry's tree
Life has been good to you and me.

Faternally yours,

A. E. DUFF

D.D.G.M. Twelfth Masonic District.

In Memoriam



DEDICATED
TO
THE DISTINGUISHED DEAD OF
SISTER
GRAND LODGES
1953

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

William James Major

Ionic Lodge No. 25

Grand Steward, 1912

Grand Tyler, 1919

Junior Grand Warden, 1920

Senior Grand Warden, 1921

Deputy Grand Master, 1922

Grand Master, 1923

DIED

August 13th, 1953

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Charles Richard Sayer

Northern Light Lodge No. 10
District Deputy Grand Master, 1933
Grand Director of Ceremonies, 1939-40-41

DIED

October 19th, 1953

John Pollock

Glenwood Lodge No. 27
District Deputy Grand Master, 1918

DIED

August 18th, 1953

James Martin Hough

Birtle Lodge No. 39
District Deputy Grand Master, 1911

DIED

January 19th, 1953

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

A. Lawrence Wrye

Vermillion Lodge No. 68
District Deputy Grand Master, 1948

DIED

April 6th, 1953

Clifford George McLean

Mound Lodge No. 118
District Deputy Grand Master, 1951

DIED

March 1st, 1953

Frederick Starr

Roblin Lodge No. 122
District Deputy Grand Master, 1944

DIED

July 20th, 1953

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Robert Fender Hunter

Favel Lodge No. 126
District Deputy Grand Master, 1930

DIED

March 12th, 1953

Abraham E. Weidman

Mount Sinai Lodge No. 143
District Deputy Grand Master, 1948

DIED

August 15th, 1953

John T. Bragg

St. John's Lodge No. 4
Grand Steward, 1904

DIED

March 25th, 1953

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Arthur Mayne McGlashan

King Solomon Lodge No. 8
Grand Steward, 1917

DIED

October 21st, 1953

William George Corbett

Stonewall Lodge No. 12
Grand Pursuivant, 1939

DIED

January 2nd, 1953

William Henry Simpson

Crystal Lodge No. 71
Senior Grand Deacon, 1922

DIED

August 31st, 1953

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

William James Young

The Pas Lodge No. 124
Senior Grand Steward, 1923

DIED

February 6th, 1953

Alexander C. B. Stewart

Sturgeon Creek Lodge No. 145
Junior Grand Steward, 1936

DIED

June 1st, 1953

Samuel Edward Thomas Dodd

Flin Flon Lodge No. 153
Junior Grand Steward, 1946

DIED

August 29th, 1953

IN MEMORY
OF THE BELOVED BRETHREN WHO ARE
At Rest

Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Dunlop, J. G.....	June 9, 1952	Prince Rupert's.....	1
Smith, R. D.....	Jan. 10, 1953	Prince Rupert's.....	1
Lawrence, J. H. C.....	Feb. 2, 1953	Prince Rupert's.....	1
Peacock, I. T.....	Feb. 6, 1953	Prince Rupert's.....	1
Ashton, E.....	Feb. 9, 1953	Prince Rupert's.....	1
Cook, T. S.....	Mar. 16, 1953	Prince Rupert's.....	1
Spear, R. E.....	Mar. 26, 1953	Prince Rupert's.....	1
MacKenzie, C. A.....	Apr. 5, 1953	Prince Rupert's.....	1
Harris, P. D.....	June 3, 1953	Prince Rupert's.....	1
Loucks, W. F.....	July 27, 1953	Prince Rupert's.....	1
McLaren, Wm.....	July 27, 1953	Prince Rupert's.....	1
Watt, W. L.....	Aug. 14, 1953	Prince Rupert's.....	1
Fearn, A.....	Sep. 18, 1953	Prince Rupert's.....	1
Piper, C. H.....	Sep. 18, 1953	Prince Rupert's.....	1
Gordon, W. E.....	Mar. 26, 1953	Lisgar.....	2
Evans, C. R.....	Mar. 31, 1953	Lisgar.....	2
McLeod, Wm.....	July 1953	Lisgar.....	2
Thomas, W. H. H.....	July 2, 1953	Lisgar.....	2
Moar, Alex.....	Nov. 22, 1953	Lisgar.....	2
Norquay, H. C.....	Dec. 26, 1953	Lisgar.....	2
Broder, G. M.....	Feb. 1, 1953	Ancient Landmark..	3
Gill, Geo.....	Mar. 10, 1953	Ancient Landmark..	3
Earl, J. F.....	Mar. 26, 1953	Ancient Landmark..	3
Langille, J. F.....	Apr. 30, 1953	Ancient Landmark..	3
Couson, W. B.....	1953	Ancient Landmark..	3
Purdon, D. H.....	1953	Ancient Landmark..	3
Irving, D. J.....	July 6, 1953	Ancient Landmark..	3
Theobald, P. F.....	Aug. 18, 1953	Ancient Landmark..	3
Urch, L.....	Oct. 9, 1953	Ancient Landmark..	3
Thomson, C. A.....	Oct. 23, 1953	Ancient Landmark..	3
Brown, A.....	Jan. 1, 1953	St. John's.....	4
Montgomery, T. W.....	Jan. 13, 1953	St. John's.....	4
Lock, A. S.....	Jan. 14, 1953	St. John's.....	4
Strange, H.....	Feb. 2, 1953	St. John's.....	4
Brock, S.....	Feb. 3, 1953	St. John's.....	4
Birt, J. J.....	Feb. 5, 1953	St. John's.....	4
Lennerton, W. J.....	Feb. 8, 1953	St. John's.....	4
Murray, D.....	Mar. 5, 1953	St. John's.....	4
Platt, A.....	Mar. 8, 1953	St. John's.....	4
Watson, J. R.....	Mar. 16, 1953	St. John's.....	4

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At Rest

Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Olliver, C. P.	Mar. 24, 1953	St. John's	4
Dixon, E. A.	Mar. 30, 1953	St. John's	4
Muggoch, A. W.	Apr. 7, 1953	St. John's	4
Forfar, H. R.	May 2, 1953	St. John's	4
Newton, C. H. C.	June 7, 1953	St. John's	4
Montgomery, A.	July 5, 1953	St. John's	4
Kerr, W. M. J.	July 9, 1953	St. John's	4
Nelson, T. A.	Aug. 13, 1953	St. John's	4
Sloan, J.	Sep. 2, 1953	St. John's	4
Sullivan, T. M.	Sep. 26, 1953	St. John's	4
McKay, S.	Jan. 10, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Gregor, J.	Feb. 4, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Morrison, J.	Sep. 28, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Fotheringham, G.	Oct. 3, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Shields, J. H.	May 17, 1953	King Solomon	8
Hendry, E. J.	May 27, 1953	Northern Light	10
Rennie, W. G.	May 28, 1953	Northern Light	10
Bruce, J. K.	June 1, 1953	Northern Light	10
Merrett, E. E.	July 5, 1953	Northern Light	10
Wylie, L. T.	July 5, 1953	Northern Light	10
Sharpe, R. A.	Sep. 18, 1953	Northern Light	10
Whaley, W. J.	Sep. 16, 1953	Gladstone	11
Davis, C. L.	Mar. 25, 1953	Stonewall	12
Sims, S. G.	Aug. 15, 1953	Stonewall	12
Smart, C.	Feb. 13, 1953	Morden	13
Baker, V. W.	Sep. 24, 1953	Morden	13
Crosse, J. E.	Oct. 1, 1953	Morden	13
Godfrey, Wm.	Nov. 24, 1953	Morden	13
Cleverley, M. C.	Feb. 2, 1953	Prince of Wales	14
Fraser, S. R.	June 1, 1953	Prince of Wales	14
Rykiss, W. A.	Sep. 15, 1953	Prince of Wales	14
McNeely, P. E.	Dec. 21, 1953	Prince of Wales	14
Newitt, A. R.	July 4, 1953	Corinthian	15
Davies, T. L.	Nov. 23, 1953	Corinthian	15
Warren, Jas.	Dec. 18, 1953	Corinthian	15
Fisher, J. F.	Feb. 26, 1953	Brandon	19
Cameron, R.	Aug. 14, 1953	Brandon	19
Irwin, F. J.	Oct. 13, 1953	Brandon	19
Haddell, A. E.	Nov. 4, 1953	Brandon	19
Walker, A. E.	Feb. 21, 1953	Neepawa	24

IN MEMORY
OF THE BELOVED BRETHREN WHO ARE
At Rest

Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Simpson, J.....	Apr. 29, 1953	Neepawa.....	24
Benson, S.....	June 18, 1953	Neepawa.....	24
Edwards, J. R.....	Oct. 25, 1953	Neepawa.....	24
McClelland, R. J. M.....	Jan. 1, 1953	Ionic.....	25
Comrie, H. G.....	Feb. 7, 1953	Ionic.....	25
Ebin, J.....	Mar. 19, 1953	Ionic.....	25
Procter, P. J.....	Apr. 14, 1953	Ionic.....	25
Skinner, J.....	May 29, 1953	Ionic.....	25
Nicholson, A. H.....	June 6, 1953	Ionic.....	25
McDonald, G. T.....	June 26, 1953	Ionic.....	25
Robertson, H. G.....	Aug. 14, 1953	Ionic.....	25
Simpson, J. W. J.....	Aug. 24, 1953	Ionic.....	25
Boyle, E. R.....	Sep. 10, 1953	Ionic.....	25
Burns, W. L.....	Oct. 6, 1953	Ionic.....	25
Blackie, A.....	Oct. 8, 1953	Ionic.....	25
Nanson, G. C.....	Oct. 9, 1953	Ionic.....	25
Coghill, A.....	Oct. 12, 1953	Ionic.....	25
Davies, J. M.....	Nov. 25, 1953	Ionic.....	25
Muir, W. S.....	Dec. 11, 1953	Ionic.....	25
Hume, J. R.....	Jan. 6, 1953	Glenwood.....	27
Knowles, R.....	July 8, 1953	Glenwood.....	27
Pounder, R. A.....	Sep. 24, 1953	Glenwood.....	27
King, H. J.....	Oct. 2, 1953	Glenwood.....	27
Wickstrom, O.....	Nov. 17, 1953	Glenwood.....	27
Adams, A. S.....	June 13, 1953	Manitou.....	30
Phillips, E. J.....	Jan. 10, 1953	Doric.....	36
Grant, B.....	Oct. 12, 1953	Doric.....	36
Rainey, G. E.....	Jan. 6, 1953	Lebanon.....	43
Thompson, H. N.....	Apr. 20, 1953	Lebanon.....	43
Batty, J.....	July 18, 1953	Lebanon.....	43
Wilford, L.....	Apr. 18, 1953	Glenboro.....	48
Kennedy, E. R.....	Nov. 2, 1953	Glenboro.....	48
Hunt, T. J.....	Mar. 25, 1953	Temple.....	49
Patterson, B. L.....	Apr. 17, 1953	Temple.....	49
Hellis, W. J.....	July 19, 1953	Killarney.....	50
McQueen, A.....	Oct. 11, 1953	Killarney.....	50
Ross, H.....	Mar. 31, 1953	Treherne.....	51
Norton, F. P.....	Jan. 7, 1953	Hartney.....	52
Gibson, G. M.....	July 11, 1953	Hartney.....	52
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Chambers, J. K.....	Aug. 21, 1953	Holland.....	63
Leitch, J.....	Jan. 10, 1953	Composite.....	64
Ingram, T. N.....	July 14, 1953	Wawanesa.....	67
Johnston, W. J.....	Aug. 15, 1953	Wawanesa.....	67
Chute, A.....	May 22, 1953	Vermillion.....	68
Murray, M. W.....	Aug. 25, 1953	Vermillion.....	68
Sumpton, J. H.....	Sep. 30, 1953	Vermillion.....	68
Cocking, A. L.....	Nov. 20, 1953	Vermillion.....	68
Richardson, J. H.....	Dec. 15, 1953	Vermillion.....	68
Hunter, G. A.....	Dec. 16, 1953	Vermillion.....	68
McNeely, P. E.....	Dec. 24, 1953	Vermillion.....	68
McLean, E. A.....	Dec. 26, 1953	Vermillion.....	68
Anderson, T. A.....	July 3, 1953	Shiloh.....	70
Sanders, R. M.....	Mar. 28, 1953	Crystal.....	71
Baird, T. T.....	Dec. 27, 1953	Crystal.....	71
Kennedy, J. L.....	Aug. 25, 1953	Gothic.....	75
Christie, J. L.....	Jan. 12, 1953	Cypress.....	82
Grant, A.....	Jan. 17, 1953	Elgin.....	86
O'Reilly, J. L.....	July 5, 1953	Elgin.....	86
Newsom, L. W.....	Aug. 16, 1953	Elgin.....	86
Kerr, J. A.....	Feb. 27, 1953	Midlothian.....	90
Lawson, R.....	May 30, 1953	Midlothian.....	90
Bingham, W. J.....	Mar. 13, 1953	Midlothian.....	90
Stuart, S.....	Aug. 19, 1953	Midlothian.....	90
Love, N. A.....	Sep. 14, 1953	Midlothian.....	90
Moor, E. G.....	Jan. 8, 1953	King Edward.....	93
Whiteway, A. P.....	Jan. 17, 1953	King Edward.....	93
Taylor, T. H.....	Apr. 13, 1953	King Edward.....	93
Owen, T.....	Apr. 22, 1953	King Edward.....	93
Bennett, R.....	Sep. 7, 1953	King Edward.....	93
Hepworth, A. D.....	Oct. 24, 1953	King Edward.....	93
McLennan, R. H.....	Mar. 21, 1953	Hiram.....	94
Johnston, T.....	July 11, 1953	Hiram.....	94
Dagleish, R. J. C.....	Sep. 24, 1953	Hiram.....	94
Caldwell, C. F.....	Feb. 1, 1953	Robbie Burns.....	100
Arnett, J. H.....	Aug. 1953	Robbie Burns.....	100
Matheson, Wm.....	June 10, 1953	Binscarth.....	101
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Shaw, C. A.....	May 21, 1953	Crescent.....	103
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Mennie, Wm.....	June 14, 1953	Reston.....	104
Bland, C. M.....	July 3, 1953	Reston.....	104
Macintyre, H.....	July 18, 1953	Reston.....	104
Mutter, Thos.....	Dec. 2, 1953	Reston.....	104
Johner, Jarl.....	Apr. 15, 1953	Prince Arthur	105
McMillan, D. A.....	Apr. 15, 1953	Lansdowne.....	107
Bruce, D.....	Mar. 7, 1953	Acacia.....	111
Kerr, T. O.....	July 7, 1953	Acacia.....	111
Bethel, Wm.....	Nov. 30, 1953	Ophir.....	112
Turner, W. B.....	Feb. 26, 1953	Tweed.....	113
Edworthy, G.....	Apr. 20, 1953	Tweed.....	113
Sutherland, W. A. N.....	Oct. 10, 1953	Tweed.....	113
Smith, D. M.....	July 20, 1953	"The Assiniboine".....	114
Davies, J. G.....	July 24, 1953	"The Assiniboine".....	114
Young, J. F. T.....	Aug. 19, 1953	"The Assiniboine".....	114
Dahl, C. H.....	Oct. 3, 1953	"The Assiniboine".....	114
Wade, H. G.....	Oct. 17, 1953	"The Assiniboine".....	114
Mackay, E. C.....	Nov. 4, 1953	"The Assiniboine".....	114
Thomas, W. G.....	Dec. 25, 1953	"The Assiniboine".....	114
Johnson, T.....	Oct. 3, 1953	Strathcona.....	117
Grassick, A.....	Apr. 15, 1953	Mound.....	118
Phin, C. A. E.....	July 12, 1953	Mound.....	118
Saunders, G. E. S.....	Sep. 20, 1953	Mound.....	118
Mitchell, E. E.....	Feb. 12, 1953	Norwood.....	119
Smith, R.....	Feb. 22, 1953	Norwood.....	119
Barrett, A. W.....	Mar. 2, 1953	Norwood.....	119
Milne, D.....	June 10, 1953	Norwood.....	119
Parkinson, E.....	June 14, 1953	Norwood.....	119
Torell, J. S.....	Oct. 25, 1953	Norwood.....	119
Thorsteinson, J.....	Oct. 30, 1953	Norwood.....	119
Austin, Wm.....	Nov. 26, 1953	Norwood.....	119
Spence, E. W.....	Dec. 31, 1953	Norwood.....	119
Cornforth, J. E.....	Sep. 23, 1952	Penza.....	120
McClelland, T. W.....	Mar. 26, 1953	Penza.....	120
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Marley, B.....	May 21, 1953	St. James.....	121
Larkins, F. G.....	June 21, 1953	St. James.....	121

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Lister, H.....	Aug. 11, 1953	St. James.....	121
Speir, G. L.....	Aug. 12, 1953	Roblin.....	122
McGillivray, D.....	Aug. 7, 1953	Transcona.....	123
Black, A.....	Oct. 28, 1953	Transcona.....	123
Gray, C. M.....	Nov. 27, 1953	Transcona.....	123
Woodcock, F. W.....	June 4, 1953	The Pas.....	124
MacLean, J. H.....	Feb. 13, 1953	Patricia.....	125
Latham, M.....	Sep. 26, 1953	Patricia.....	125
Brown, O. R.....	Dec. 16, 1953	Patricia.....	125
Maltman, A.....	Aug. 21, 1953	Favel.....	126
Maltman, J. S.....	Dec. 11, 1953	Favel.....	126
Johnston, E.....	Feb. 17, 1953	Empire.....	127
Steeves, J. T.....	Dec. 6, 1953	Empire.....	127
Stonehouse, G. F.....	Feb. 10, 1953	Victory.....	128
Hewlett, W. A.....	Jan. 31, 1953	Fort Garry.....	130
Forbes, N.....	Feb. 7, 1953	Fort Garry.....	130
Guthrie, T.....	Feb. 8, 1953	Fort Garry.....	130
Jenkins, C. H.....	May 15, 1953	Fort Garry.....	130
Stephenson, J. A.....	Aug. 4, 1953	Fort Garry.....	130
Robinson, Wm.....	Oct. 28, 1953	Fort Garry.....	130
Houston, W. A.....	Nov. 23, 1953	Fort Garry.....	130
Surgeoner, Chas.....	Sep. 18, 1953	Kildonan.....	131
McNab, J. S.....	Sep. 26, 1953	Kildonan.....	131
Robeson, J. E.....	Oct. 1, 1953	Kildonan.....	131
Samson, R. G.....	Oct. 27, 1953	Kildonan.....	131
Crawford, C. J.....	May 29, 1953	McCreary.....	133
Snell, J.....	Jan. 31, 1953	Stony Mountain.....	134
Bennett, Wm.....	Dec. 22, 1953	Stony Mountain.....	134
Williamson, H. E.....	Jan. 14, 1953	Capitol.....	136
Webster, Wm.....	Apr. 23, 1953	Capitol.....	136
Munro, C.....	July 1953	Capitol.....	136
Brandon, H. G.....	June 13, 1953	Lord Selkirk.....	137
Browne, T. J.....	July 8, 1953	Lord Selkirk.....	137
Armstrong, E. W.....	Oct. 16, 1953	Lord Selkirk.....	137
Milne, J. R.....	Mar. 23, 1953	Windsor.....	138
Shannon, Wm.....	Oct. 11, 1953	Windsor.....	138
Lawrence, G. S.....	May 15, 1953	Beaver.....	139
Nelson, J. B.....	Aug. 19, 1953	Beaver.....	139
McLeod, H. N.....	Oct. 6, 1953	Beaver.....	139

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Coad, O. S.....	Dec. 14, 1953	Beaver.....	139
Anderson, A.....	Feb. 7, 1953	Meridian.....	140
Halliday, A.....	June 13, 1953	Meridian.....	140
Coley, B. S.....	Sep. 15, 1953	Meridian.....	140
Gillson, J. H.....	Sep. 21, 1953	Meridian.....	140
Wardrop, E. J.....	Oct. 24, 1953	Meridian.....	140
Boby, D. J.....	Oct. 30, 1953	Meridian.....	140
King, D. A.....	Nov. 6, 1953	Meridian.....	140
Masters, R. E.....	Nov. 16, 1953	Meridian.....	140
Ashley, T. R. A.....	Nov. 21, 1953	Meridian.....	140
Simpson, Chas.....	Dec. 2, 1953	Meridian.....	140
Woolston, A. T.....	Dec. 4, 1953	Meridian.....	140
Parker, G. H.....	Apr. 24, 1953	Tuscan.....	141
Zanzig, A.....	Sep. 4, 1953	Tuscan.....	141
Hyndman, M. A.....	Sep. 30, 1953	Harmony.....	142
Gould, T.....	May 23, 1953	Mount Sinai.....	143
Steiman, R.....	July 30, 1953	Mount Sinai.....	143
Nemy, A.....	Oct. 8, 1953	Mount Sinai.....	143
Davidson, A.....	Mar. 22, 1953	Fort Osborne.....	144
Rankin, H. A.....	Dec. 20, 1953	Fort Osborne.....	144
Waters, W. P.....	Jan. 12, 1953	Fidelity.....	146
Thurlbeck, A. E.....	Mar. 3, 1953	Fidelity.....	146
Smith, J. S. A.....	Apr. 13, 1953	Fidelity.....	146
Atkinson, H. R.....	Apr. 15, 1953	Fidelity.....	146
Sprange, L. H.....	July 3, 1953	Fidelity.....	146
O'Dowda, R. T. C.....	July 21, 1953	Fidelity.....	146
Burnside, N. J. C.....	Oct. 8, 1953	Fidelity.....	146
Kelly, C. H.....	Oct. 26, 1953	Fidelity.....	146
Platt, A.....	Mar. 7, 1953	Seven Oaks.....	148
Arnett, J. H.....	Aug. 25, 1953	Seven Oaks.....	148
Jenkinson, W. T.....	Dec. 16, 1953	Seven Oaks.....	148
Wallace, G. C.....	Nov. 27, 1953	The Dormer.....	151
Hamilton, H.....	Dec. 12, 1953	Foxwarren.....	152
Mearns, J. H.....	Feb. 1, 1953	Flin Flon.....	153
Reuter, H. W.....	Apr. 24, 1953	Flin Flon.....	153
Lowe, S. P.....	Oct. 18, 1953	Flin Flon.....	153
McCondach, G.....	May 10, 1953	Carman.....	155
Beaton, N.....	Apr. 9, 1953	Fenwick.....	158
Geiger, A.....	May 13, 1953	Charleswood.....	163
Morrison, J.....	Sep. 28, 1953	Marquette.....	U.D.

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Lowen, E. G.	Jan. 21, 1953	Prince Rupert's	1
Skelly, Geo.	Nov. 17, 1953	Prince Rupert's	1
Reese, E. W.	Nov. 17, 1953	Prince Rupert's	1
Franks, H. F.	Oct. 25, 1953	Lisgar	2
Johnson, J. V.	Oct. 25, 1953	Lisgar	2
McDonald, Wm.	Dec. 15, 1953	Lisgar	2
Reid, D.	Nov. 16, 1953	Ancient Landmark	3
Waddell, J. C.	Nov. 16, 1953	Ancient Landmark	3
Paine, W. C. J.	Jan. 7, 1953	St. John's	4
Brown, R.	Dec. 2, 1953	St. John's	4
Cook, J. A.	Dec. 2, 1953	St. John's	4
Moss, C. J.	Dec. 2, 1953	St. John's	4
Thomas, I. G.	Dec. 2, 1953	St. John's	4
Wilton, W. K.	Feb. 13, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Richardson, R. R.	Mar. 3, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Baskier, L. C.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Bradley, F. R.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Bradley, W. H.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Burton, W.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Campbell, W. G.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Carver, A. C.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Cooper, J. S.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Garvin, F. G.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Jessiman, J. A.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
McDermid, R. D.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Orton, N. S.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Owens, H. E.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Salter, F. F.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Rankin, L. C.	Jan. 15, 1953	Northern Light	10
Snyder, H. C.	Jan. 15, 1953	Northern Light	10
McAuley, L. A.	Oct. 15, 1953	Northern Light	10
Clark, J. D.	Nov. 19, 1953	Northern Light	10
Colchester, W. M.	Jan. 12, 1953	Gladstone	11
Crooks, S.	Jan. 12, 1953	Gladstone	11
Spalding, N.	Aug. 10, 1953	Gladstone	11
Corbin, F. A.	Dec. 14, 1953	Gladstone	11
Pitt, A.	Jan. 8, 1953	Stonewall	12
Arbuthnot, J.	Apr. 9, 1953	Stonewall	12
McBurney, D. J.	Dec. 10, 1953	Stonewall	12
Fraser, J. K.	June 18, 1952	Morden	13
Nairne, H. J.	Dec. 18, 1952	Morden	13
Scott, H. W.	Dec. 18, 1952	Morden	13
Cruden, W. W.	Sept. 27, 1953	Morden	13
Brown, G. A.	Nov. 19, 1953	Morden	13
Kahane, L. H.	Nov. 20, 1953	Morden	13
Day, J. B.	Dec. 17, 1953	Morden	13
Smith, H. H.	Dec. 17, 1953	Prince of Wales	14
Hyndman, J. L.	July 1953	Corinthian	15
Rodgers, J. G.	Jan. 13, 1953	Neepawa	24
Link, A. N.	Dec. 10, 1953	Neepawa	24
Gardiner, L. P.	Dec. 7, 1953	Ionic	25
Innes, R.	Dec. 7, 1953	Ionic	25

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Kleckner, E. L.....	Dec. 7, 1953	Ionic.....	25
McCormick, J. A.....	Sept. 13, 1951	Glenwood.....	27
Atchison, W. E.....	Sept. 25, 1953	Glenwood.....	27
Frost, J.....	Sept. 25, 1953	Glenwood.....	27
Holmes, O. W.....	Sept. 25, 1953	Glenwood.....	27
Couzens, H. C.....	Nov. 2, 1953	Manitou.....	30
Curll, G. O.....	Dec. 31, 1953	Manitou.....	30
Scurfield, R.....	Sept. 22, 1953	Doric.....	36
Best, R. H.....	Nov. 24, 1953	Doric.....	36
Gavril, A. F.....	Nov. 24, 1953	Doric.....	36
Morrison, J. F.....	Nov. 24, 1953	Doric.....	36
Vincent, A. W.....	Dec. 8, 1953	Doric.....	36
Campbell, R. W.....	Dec. 31, 1952	Birtle.....	39
McLachlan, J. L.....	Dec. 16, 1953	Deloraine.....	40
Grant, A. T.....	Jan. 2, 1953	Lebanon.....	43
Wilcox, J.....	Jan. 2, 1953	Lebanon.....	43
Sills, J. D.....	Jan. 2, 1953	Lebanon.....	43
Eyers, W. J.....	Jan. 6, 1953	Lebanon.....	43
Burrell, C. F.....	May 5, 1953	Lebanon.....	43
Snitka, D. S.....	Oct. 6, 1953	Lebanon.....	43
Thody, J. E.....	Dec. 1, 1953	Lebanon.....	43
Gowanlock, A. A.....	Jan. 19, 1953	Glenboro.....	48
Stevenson, A. J. W.....	Nov. 17, 1953	Temple.....	49
Draper, G. F.....	Mar. 16, 1953	Killarney.....	50
Lumb, R. F.....	Dec. 21, 1953	Killarney.....	50
Fraser, P. G.....	May 22, 1953	Treherne.....	51
Matthewson, T.....	Oct. 6, 1953	Hartney.....	52
Passmore, R. A. G.....	Feb. 8, 1953	Oriental.....	54
Lang, F. J.....	Dec. 31, 1953	Oriental.....	54
Nitikman, Max.....	Apr. 21, 1953	East Star.....	55
Westrus, B. J. S.....	Apr. 14, 1953	Russell.....	62
Rothwell, W.....	Nov. 10, 1953	Russell.....	62
Harvey, R.....	Nov. 16, 1953	Wawanesa.....	67
Jakeman, S. P.....	Dec. 4, 1951	Vermillion.....	68
Smith, A. G.....	Jan. 1952	Vermillion.....	68
Easterbrook, W. J. A.....	June 3, 1953	Vermillion.....	68
Dempsey, L. V.....	Dec. 7, 1953	Vermillion.....	68
Ford, J. A. L.....	Dec. 23, 1953	Vermillion.....	68
Borgstrom, E.....	Dec. 14, 1953	Elkhorn.....	74
Norris, F. C.....	Dec. 14, 1953	Elkhorn.....	74
Dodds, M. H.....	Oct. 13, 1953	Elgin.....	86
Smith, J. L.....	Feb. 4, 1953	Rathwell.....	87
Davies, J. J.....	Dec. 21, 1953	Midlothian.....	90
Pollock, H. H.....	Sept. 10, 1953	Shoal Lake.....	92
Fletcher, D. L.....	Dec. 10, 1953	Shoal Lake.....	92
Lauman, G. A.....	Dec. 10, 1953	Shoal Lake.....	92
Bater, S. W.....	Jan. 21, 1953	King Edward.....	93
Engel, G. E.....	Jan. 21, 1953	King Edward.....	93
Hughes, R. J. C.....	Jan. 21, 1953	King Edward.....	93
Shewman, L. S.....	Jan. 21, 1953	King Edward.....	93
Dunsmore, J. M.....	Dec. 18, 1953	King Edward.....	93
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Stevely, J.	Dec. 24, 1953	King Edward	93
Munro, G. H.	Nov. 19, 1953	Hiram	94
Brown, R. D.	Dec. 21, 1953	Binscarth	101
Dawley, C. S.	June 25, 1953	Miniota	102
Benzie, F. J.	Mar. 12, 1953	Reston	104
Knudson, H. G.	Nov. 12, 1953	Reston	104
Ridgeway, E. R.	June 4, 1953	Prince Arthur	105
Hainstock, R. F.	Dec. 3, 1953	Prince Arthur	105
Hodgins, J. E.	Dec. 31, 1953	Prince Arthur	105
Hoey, J. H.	Feb. 5, 1953	Union	108
Watson, O. R.	Apr. 2, 1953	Union	108
Hoskins, E. R.	June 17, 1953	Swan Lake	109
Nixon, J. H.	Nov. 9, 1953	Kilwinning	110
Hardy, F. H.	Dec. 14, 1953	Kilwinning	110
Rigler, E. M.	Jan. 14, 1953	Acacia	111
Teasdale, G. W.	Jan. 14, 1953	Acacia	111
Brand, C. C.	Dec. 9, 1953	Acacia	111
Oddliefson, A. L.	Oct. 19, 1953	Ophir	112
Brook, J.	Nov. 16, 1953	Ophir	112
McLennan, C. L.	Nov. 16, 1953	Ophir	112
McKinstry, E.	Jan. 20, 1953	Tweed	113
Berrill, J. H.	Dec. 15, 1953	Tweed	113
Scott, C. W.	Dec. 15, 1953	Tweed	113
Wilson, E. F.	Dec. 1, 1953	"The Assiniboine"	114
Palliser, D. G.	Dec. 31, 1953	"The Assiniboine"	114
Suttie, C. M.	Dec. 7, 1953	St. Andrew's	116
Williams, H. L.	Oct. 27, 1953	Strathcona	117
Howard, H. F.	Mar. 25, 1953	Mound	118
Bissett, N. R.	Dec. 10, 1953	Mound	118
McIntosh, F. W.	Dec. 10, 1953	Mound	118
Lewick, M. T.	Apr. 9, 1953	Norwood	119
Vannick, J.	Feb. 12, 1953	Norwood	119
Sinclair, A. (Sr.)	Sept. 10, 1953	Norwood	119
Sinclair, A. (Jr.)	Oct. 8, 1953	Norwood	119
Doull, J.	Nov. 12, 1953	Norwood	119
Dowse, G. R.	Dec. 10, 1953	Norwood	119
Besant, L. R.	Dec. 10, 1953	Norwood	119
Rogers, J. E.	Dec. 10, 1953	Norwood	119
Wood, H. E.	Nov. 11, 1953	St. James	121
Rattray, G. W.	Dec. 9, 1953	St. James	121
Thornton, J. J.	Dec. 9, 1953	St. James	121
Thompson, A. E.	Sept. 4, 1953	Transcona	123
Moore, H.	Dec. 4, 1953	Transcona	123
Stewart, H. R.	Dec. 4, 1953	Transcona	123
Johnson, A. H.	Nov. 4, 1953	The Pas	124
Chapman, W. A.	Feb. 3, 1953	Favel	126
Baskier, E. J.	Dec. 2, 1953	Favel	126
Jamieson, H. G.	Dec. 2, 1953	Favel	126
Martin, M. S.	Sept. 14, 1953	Empire	127
Smith, S. M.	Sept. 14, 1953	Empire	127
Magley, E. W.	Nov. 9, 1953	Empire	127
Melvin, G.	Dec. 14, 1953	Empire	127

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Munro, J. A.	Dec. 14, 1953	Empire	127
Turner, R.	Dec. 14, 1953	Empire	127
Frost, H. J.	Sept. 9, 1953	Fort Garry	130
Lush, R. C.	Sept. 9, 1953	Fort Garry	130
Palmer, L.	Oct. 14, 1953	Fort Garry	130
Brown, A. M.	Oct. 14, 1953	Fort Garry	130
Fox, A. B.	Nov. 11, 1953	Fort Garry	130
Rimmer, L. S.	Nov. 11, 1953	Fort Garry	130
MacPherson, J. F.	Dec. 9, 1953	Fort Garry	130
Weston, J. C.	Dec. 9, 1953	Fort Garry	130
Helgason, J. S.	Dec. 9, 1953	McCreary	133
Squire, T. A.	Dec. 9, 1953	McCreary	133
Manchulenko, E. J.	Nov. 4, 1953	Stony Mountain	134
Pollock, F.	Dec. 2, 1953	Stony Mountain	134
Stevens, H. H.	Dec. 2, 1953	Stony Mountain	134
Walker, R. L.	Dec. 2, 1953	Stony Mountain	134
Griffith, H. A. S.	May 1, 1953	Capitol	136
Clegg, C. A.	Dec. 4, 1953	Capitol	136
Eggertson, A.	Dec. 4, 1953	Capitol	136
Pollitt, F. W.	Dec. 4, 1953	Capitol	136
Hicks, R. G.	Jan. 12, 1953	Windsor	138
Wood, J. H.	Nov. 9, 1953	Windsor	138
Wellman, C. T.	Dec. 14, 1953	Windsor	138
Jessup, H.	May 8, 1952	Beaver	139
Wilson, J. L.	Dec. 31, 1953	Beaver	139
Bashford, T. H.	Dec. 24, 1953	Meridian	140
Johnson, J. G.	Dec. 24, 1953	Meridian	140
Anderson, J. B. E.	Mar. 19, 1953	Harmony	142
Colvin, J.	Nov. 3, 1953	Fort Osborne	144
Geddes, Wm.	Nov. 3, 1953	Fort Osborne	144
Churchill, E. J.	Feb. 2, 1953	Sturgeon Creek	145
Connolly, J. A.	Sept. 14, 1953	Sturgeon Creek	145
Nash, W. N.	Dec. 7, 1953	Sturgeon Creek	145
Duncan, L. R.	Dec. 31, 1953	Fidelity	146
Burrows, T. F.	Oct. 9, 1953	Seven Oaks	148
Webb, F. H.	Dec. 11, 1953	Seven Oaks	148
Love, Jas.	Dec. 29, 1953	Seven Oaks	148
Cole, J. W.	Nov. 17, 1953	Cartwright	150
Henwood, L. M.	Nov. 17, 1953	Cartwright	150
Craig, C. F.	Apr. 21, 1953	Manitouwapa	156
Bjornson, C.	Dec. 15, 1953	Manitouwapa	156
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1875	*Rev. W. C. Clarke	*Hon. W. N. Kennedy	*Jas. Henderson	*S. L. Bedson	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*John H. Bell	*H. T. Champion	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1876	*Hon. W. N. Kennedy	*Jas. Henderson	*S. L. Bedson	*G. F. Newcomb	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Jno. W. Harris	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1877	*G. F. Newcomb	*Jas. Henderson	*Jno. W. Harris	*E. G. Conklin	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*Rev. Canon S. P. Matheson
1878	*G. F. Newcomb	*Jno. W. Harris	*Simon Duffin	*F. T. Bradley	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1879	*Rev. Canon S. P. Matheson	*Jno. W. Harris	*Simon Duffin	*R. McCuaig	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*James Munroe	*Rev. James Flett
1880	*John H. Bell	*E. G. Conklin	*Hon. G. McMicken	*J. M. McGregor	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1881	*John H. Bell	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. B. Murray	*C. F. Forrest	†J. J. Johnston	*Jas. Henderson	*D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1882	*John H. Bell	*Wm. G. Scott	*Alfred Pearson	*C. F. Forrest	†J. J. Johnston	H. D. P. Le Chappellain	*D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1883	*John H. Bell	*D. B. Murray	*R. McCuaig	†John Smith	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. Young	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1884	*John H. Bell	*C. F. Forrest	*Rev. J. M. Wellwood	†N. J. Lindsay	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	†Wm. Simpson	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1885	*C. F. Forrest	*Alfred Pearson	*Peter McGregor	†Thos. Colins	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. W. H. Wilson	*Rev. J. M. Wellwood
1886	*Alfred Pearson	*Peter McGregor	*J. W. H. Wilson	*J. K. Brydon	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Wm. G. Bell	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1887	*Thomas Clark	*John A. Kerr	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Jas. S. Greig	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1888	*Thomas Clark	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	*R. C. Brown	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†Joseph Daniel	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1889	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara	*Wm. G. Bell	*Thos. L. Morton	†Thos. McPherson	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*James A. Payne	Rev. Arthur W. Goulding
1890	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	†Thos. McPherson	*Fred L. Newman	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*R. W. Woodroffe	Rev. Arthur W. Goulding
1891	*Wm. G. Bell	*J. W. H. Wilson	*Rich'd D. Foley	*John Leslie	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*James G. Dagg	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton

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1892	*J. W. H. Wilson.....	*D. J. Goggin.....	*F. G. Lewin.....	*Thos. Robinson.....	*John McKechnie.....	*Wm. G. Scott.....	*Wm. A. Windatt.....	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1893	*D. J. Goggin.....	*Thos. Robinson.....	*Thos. Tweed.....	*Corbet Locke.....	*John McKechnie.....	*Wm. G. Scott.....	*J. H. Munson.....	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1894	*Thomas Tweed.....	*Charles N. Bell.....	*Corbet Locke.....	*Hugh U. Bain.....	*John McKechnie.....	*Wm. G. Scott.....	†Rev. A. W. F. Cooper.....	*Rev. C. B. Pitblado
1895	*Charles N. Bell.....	*Corbet Locke.....	*John Leslie.....	*Geo. B. Murphy.....	*John McKechnie.....	*Wm. G. Scott.....	*John Chambers.....	*Rev. C. B. Pitblado
1896	*Corbet Locke.....	*John Leslie.....	*Fred L. Newman.....	*F. T. English.....	*John McKechnie.....	*Wm. G. Scott.....	†C. N. Mitchell.....	*Rev. J. W. Matheson
1897	*Thomas Robinson.....	*Geo. B. Murphy.....	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton.....	†Wm. Crawford.....	*John McKechnie.....	*Wm. G. Scott.....	*J. O. Smith.....	*Rev. A. Chisholm
1898	*Geo. B. Murphy.....	*H. J. Eberts.....	*R. S. Thornton.....	*Wm. A. Windatt.....	*John McKechnie.....	*Wm. G. Scott.....	*Edgar W. Rugg.....	†Rev. C. R. Littler
1899	*John Leslie.....	*R. S. Thornton.....	*W. A. Windatt.....	*S. B. Jamieson.....	*John McKechnie.....	*Wm. G. Scott.....	†J. A. Sutherland.....	†Rev. J. W. Muirhead
1900	*R. S. Thornton.....	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton.....	*Wm. Fenwick.....	*R. Hill Myers.....	*John McKechnie.....	*James A. Ovas.....	*E. A. Braithwaite.....	*Rev. A. B. Baird
1901	*R. S. Thornton.....	*R. Hill Myers.....	*E. A. Braithwaite.....	*Rev. A. Chisholm.....	*John McKechnie.....	*James A. Ovas.....	*James M. Suttie.....	*Rev. A. B. Baird
1902	*R. Hill Myers.....	*E. A. Braithwaite.....	*Rev. A. Chisholm.....	*Geo. W. Baker.....	*John McKechnie.....	*James A. Ovas.....	†Geo. H. Webster.....	†Rev. Geo. H. Webb
1903	*E. A. Braithwaite.....	*Rev. A. Chisholm.....	*Wm. G. Scott.....	*H. H. Campkin.....	*John McKechnie.....	*James A. Ovas.....	*R. P. Crookshank.....	†Rev. Geo. H. Webb
1904	*Rev. A. Chisholm.....	*Wm. G. Scott.....	*H. H. Campkin.....	*James Scroggie.....	*John McKechnie.....	*James A. Ovas.....	†O. E. S. Whiteside.....	Rev. John Wells
1905	*Wm. G. Scott.....	*H. H. Campkin.....	*James Scroggie.....	*Henry J. Pugh.....	*John McKechnie.....	*James A. Ovas.....	*John R. Grant.....	†Rev. Geo. H. Hogbie
1906	*John McKechnie.....	*James Scroggie.....	*Henry J. Pugh.....	*James D. Baine.....	*T. Harry Webb.....	*James A. Ovas.....	*Arthur H. Smith.....	*Rev. Jas. L. Gordon
1907	*James Scroggie.....	*Henry J. Pugh.....	*James D. Baine.....	*John Wemyss.....	*T. Harry Webb.....	*James A. Ovas.....	*Robert Magnus.....	*Rev. Jas. L. Gordon
1908	*Henry J. Pugh.....	*James D. Baine.....	*John Wemyss.....	*Wm. Chambers.....	*T. Harry Webb.....	*James A. Ovas.....	*A. N. Macpherson.....	Rev. Thos. Neville

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1909	*James D. Baine	*Geo. W. Baker	*John Wemyss	*Wm. Chambers	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Joseph Greenfield	*Rev. Wm. Robertson
1910	*Geo. W. Baker	*John Wemyss	*Wm. Chambers	*Ed. M. Walker	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Jas. E. Maynard	*Rev. Wm. Robertson
1911	*John Wemyss	*Wm. Chambers	*Ed. M. Walker	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*R. W. A. Rolph	Rev. Frederick
1912	*Wm. Chambers	*Ed. M. Walker	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*Henry E. Bletcher	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*John Colwell	Rev. Frederick
1913	*Ed. M. Walker	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Robert L. Ross	W. Goodeve
1914	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*William Fenwick	*Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*J. M. Robinson	Rev. Sydney D. Thomas
1915	*William Fenwick	*Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett	Ed. T. Greenway	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Jno. Macwhirter	*Rev. Peter E. Scott
1916	*Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett	Ed. T. Greenway	*Alex. McIntyre	*James G. Dagg	*James A. Ovas	C. F. Hasselfield	*Rev. Thos. G. Bethell
1917	*Percy E. Kellett	Ed. T. Greenway	*Alex. McIntyre	Albert J. Hatcher	*James G. Dagg	*James A. Ovas	*Jno. J. Jackson	Miller
1918	Ed. T. Greenway	*Alex. McIntyre	Albert J. Hatcher	*Geo. N. Jackson	*James G. Dagg	*James A. Ovas .....	.....	Bethell
1919	*Alex. McIntyre	Albert J. Hatcher	*Geo. N. Jackson	*Rev. A. B. Baird	*Wm. J. Major	*James A. Ovas .....	.....	Bethell
1920	Albert J. Hatcher	*Geo. N. Jackson	*Rev. A. B. Baird	*Wm. J. Major	*Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas .....	.....	Rev. James W. Anderson
1921	*Geo. N. Jackson	*Rev. A. B. Baird	*Wm. J. Major	Jas. S. MacEwing	*Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas .....	.....	*Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1922	*Rev. A. B. Baird	*Wm. J. Major	Jas. S. MacEwing	Albert L. Crossin	*Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas .....	.....	*Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1923	*Wm. J. Major	Jas. S. MacEwing	Albert L. Crossin	*J. C. Walker Reid	*James Mackie	*James A. Ovas .....	.....	*Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1924	Jas. S. MacEwing	Albert L. Crossin	*J. C. Walker Reid	*Jabez Miller	*James Mackie	*James A. Ovas .....	.....	*Rev. Wm. C. Cunningham
1925	Albert L. Crossin	*J. C. Walker Reid	*Jabez Miller	*Murdo A. Whimster	*James Mackie	*James A. Ovas	*Rev. Andrew T. Norquay

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1926	*J. C. Walker Reid	*Jabez Miller	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas	*James Mackie	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. Andrew T. Norquay
1927	*Jabez Miller	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas	*George Hunter	*James Mackie	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. George W. Findlay
1928	*Murdo A. Whimster	*George Hunter	*George Hunter	Norman J. Black	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. George W. Findlay
1929	William Douglas	*George Hunter	Norman J. Black	David S. Woods	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. George W. Findlay
1930	*George Hunter	Norman J. Black	David S. Woods	*James Mackie	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas		Rev. G. A. Woodside
1931	Norman J. Black	David S. Woods	*James Mackie	*Henry L. Adolph	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas		Rev. G. A. Woodside
1932	David S. Woods	*James Mackie	*Henry L. Adolph	Royal Burritt	*Alex Burgess	*James A. Ovas		Rt. Rev. W. W. H. Thomas
1933	*James Mackie	*Henry L. Adolph	Royal Burritt	*Harry Woods	*Alex Burgess	*James A. Ovas		Rt. Rev. W. W. H. Thomas
1934	*Henry L. Adolph	Royal Burritt	*Harry Woods	*John T. Boyd	*Alex Burgess	*James A. Ovas		†Rev. George R. Calvert
1935	Royal Burritt	*Harry Woods	*John T. Boyd	Robert Hawkins	*Alex Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		†Bishop George R. Calvert
1936	*Harry Woods	*John T. Boyd	Robert Hawkins	W. D. Lawrence	*Alex Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		Rev. Thomas Neville
1937	*John T. Boyd	Robert Hawkins	W. D. Lawrence	*J. J. Henderson	*Alex Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. Harry Sherstone
1938	Robert Hawkins	W. D. Lawrence	*J. J. Henderson	†Bishop G. R. Calvert	*Alex Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. Harry Sherstone
1939	W. D. Lawrence	*J. J. Henderson	†Bishop G. R. Calvert	S. H. Fahni	*Alex Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. P. T. Pilkey
1940	*J. J. Henderson	†Bishop G. R. Calvert	S. H. Fahni	*Ben C. Parker	*Alex Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. P. T. Pilkey
1941	†Bishop G. R. Calvert	S. H. Fahni	*Ben. C. Parker	Sam Burland	*Alex Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. P. T. Pilkey
1942	S. H. Fahni	*Ben. C. Parker	Sam Burland	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey	*Alex Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		Rev. J. L. McInnis

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1943	*Ben C. Parker.....	Sam Burland.....	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey.....	M. S. Donovan.....	*Alex. Burgess.....	*J. H. G. Russell.....	Rev. J. L. McInnis
1944	Sam. Burland.....	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey.....	M. S. Donovan.....	H. B. Donnelly.....	*Alex. Burgess.....	*J. H. G. Russell.....	.....	Rev. H. B. Wallace
1945	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey.....	M. S. Donovan.....	H. B. Donnelly.....	W. C. McDonald.....	*Alex. Burgess.....	*J. H. G. Russell.....	.....	Rev. H. B. Wallace
1946	M. S. Donovan.....	H. B. Donnelly.....	W. C. McDonald.....	Harry Coddington.....	*Alex. Burgess.....	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey.....	.....	†Rev. E. A. Syms
1947	H. B. Donnelly.....	W. C. McDonald.....	Harry Coddington.....	Chas. E. Cole.....	*Alex. Burgess.....	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey.....	.....	†Rev. E. A. Syms
1948	W. C. McDonald.....	Harry Coddington.....	Chas. E. Cole.....	*Hugh A. Innes.....	W. Percy White.....	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey.....	.....	Rev. R. S. Montgomery
1949	Harry Coddington.....	Chas. E. Cole.....	*Hugh A. Innes.....	G. A. McMorran.....	W. Percy White.....	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey.....	.....	Rev. R. S. Montgomery
1950	Chas. E. Cole.....	F. H. Blythe.....	G. A. McMorran.....	H. H. Gray.....	W. Percy White.....	Harry Coddington.....	.....	Rev. Canon Fredk. Hughes
1951	F. H. Blythe.....	G. A. McMorran.....	H. H. Gray.....	J. R. C. Evans.....	W. Percy White.....	Harry Coddington.....	.....	Rev. Canon Fredk. Hughes
1952	G. A. McMorran.....	H. H. Gray.....	J. R. C. Evans.....	R. E. Emmett.....	W. Percy White.....	T. C. Jackson.....	.....	†Rev. H. L. Newton
1953	H. H. Gray.....	J. R. C. Evans.....	R. E. Emmett.....	J. F. Irwin.....	W. Percy White.....	T. C. Jackson.....	.....	†Rev. H. L. Newton
1954	J. R. C. Evans.....	R. E. Emmett.....	J. F. Irwin.....	D. Rothstein.....	W. Percy White.....	T. C. Jackson.....	.....	Rev. J. E. Cooper

*Dead

†Removed from Jurisdiction

LODGE DIRECTORY

No.	Name of Lodge	P.O. Address	Master	Secretary	Time of Regular Meeting
1	Prince Rupert's.....	Winnipeg.....	R. K. Adams.....	W. K. Mulock.....	Third Tuesday
2	Lisgar.....	Selkirk.....	R. M. Stewart.....	G. D. Bain.....	Third Tuesday
A — 3	Ancient Landmark.....	Winnipeg.....	T. J. F. Reynolds.....	K. L. Barnal.....	Third Monday
A — 4	St. John's.....	Winnipeg.....	J. A. Cooney.....	T. L. Dodsworth.....	First Wednesday
6	Emerson.....	Winnipeg.....	A. H. Milne.....	K. C. R. Coulter.....	Third Thursday
7	Assiniboine.....	Portage la Prairie.....	H. J. Lamoureux.....	R. A. Price.....	Third Monday
8	King Solomon.....	Morris.....	H. R. Clow.....	O. B. Cossett.....	Second Tuesday
10	Northern Light.....	Winnipeg.....	C. M. Ferguson.....	Jas. Souter.....	Third Thursday
A — 11	Gladstone.....	Winnipeg.....	J. S. Whitehead.....	Clement Wallis.....	Second Monday
12	Stonewall.....	Stonewall.....	F. S. Westwood.....	M. R. Good.....	Second Thursday
13	Morden.....	Morden.....	J. Kosmolak.....	G. H. Gray.....	Third Thursday
14	Prince of Wales.....	Minnedosa.....	L. E. Thompson.....	E. G. Shand.....	Second Thursday
15	Corinthian.....	Rapid City.....	R. G. Crookshank.....	A. G. Warr.....	First Tuesday
19	Brandon.....	Brandon.....	H. P. Giffin.....	G. G. Grigg.....	Second Tuesday
21	Marquette.....	Portage la Prairie.....	R. D. Conrie.....	A. Clark.....	Fourth Monday
A — 24	Neepawa.....	Neepawa.....	R. D. McLaren.....	E. L. Leslie.....	Second Tuesday
25	Lonic.....	Winnipeg.....	W. P. Groves.....	J. A. Hardie.....	Fourth Friday
27	Glenwood.....	Souris.....	A. E. Harburn.....	J. C. Marnock.....	Tuesday on or before full moon
29	Carberry.....	Manitou.....	C. S. Hancock.....	J. C. L. Sanders.....	First Wednesday
30	Manitou.....	Manitou.....	C. F. McCullagh.....	T. E. Fleming.....	Fourth Tuesday
36	Doric.....	Boissevain.....	J. W. Ewbank.....	W. J. Brown.....	Fourth Monday
39	Birtle.....	Birtle.....	W. R. Conner.....	J. A. Whitlaw.....	Third Wednesday
40	Deloraine.....	Deloraine.....	N. Mooney.....	C. Moore.....	First Tuesday
43	Lebanon.....	Lebanon.....	L. W. Pearsall.....	J. D. Bell.....	Second Thursday
44	Oak Lake.....	Oak Lake.....	J. McTaggart.....	W. Oliphant.....	Second Tuesday
A — 48	Glenboro.....	Glenboro.....	L. B. Patterson.....	H. I. Collins.....	Third Tuesday
49	Temple.....	MacGregor.....	H. C. Bate.....	J. C. Bate.....	Third Monday
50	Killarney.....	Killarney.....	G. F. Wray.....	L. E. Staples.....	Friday on or before full moon
51	Treherne.....	Treherne.....	R. A. Gibson.....	J. L. Crowe.....	First Tuesday
52	Hartney.....	Hartney.....	J. Northam.....	P. E. Cornish.....	Fourth Tuesday
54	Oriental.....	Melita.....	J. E. Kehler.....	P. Schuppert.....	Second Tuesday
55	East Star.....	Gretna.....	R. Nickle.....	D. R. McDonald.....	Second Tuesday
56	Russell.....	Russell.....	C. J. Hutchings.....	Jas. Murray.....	Second Wednesday
63	Holland.....	Holland.....	H. J. Hill.....	L. Skinner.....	Third Thursday
64	Composite.....	Alexander.....	M. E. McKellar.....	H. J. Williams.....	Third Monday
A — 67	Wawanesa.....	Wawanesa.....	B. B. Anderson.....	J. A. Shields.....	First Tuesday
68	Vermillion.....	Dauphin.....	C. L. Cameron.....	V. H. Hugo.....	Second Thursday
70	Shiloh.....	Roland.....			

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71	Crystal.....	Crystal City.....	L. E. Breault.....	G. S. Mutch.....	Second Tuesday
74	Elkhorn.....	Elkhorn.....	B. Ferris.....	F. J. Hall.....	Second Monday
75	Gothic.....	Austin.....	G. M. Hay.....	A. Johnston.....	Second Wednesday
77	Napinka.....	Napinka.....	J. H. Brakey.....	I. S. Holland.....	First Thursday
A — 84	Cypress.....	Cypress River.....	T. B. Kenyon.....	R. J. Connon.....	Fourth Monday
82	Hamota.....	Hamota.....	Robt. Watt.....	F. J. Connon.....	Fourth Tuesday
86	Egin.....	Egin.....	J. W. Hammond.....	E. J. Smilie.....	Second Tuesday
87	Rathwell.....	Rathwell.....	J. W. Wilson.....	A. H. Macdonald.....	First Tuesday
88	Midlothian.....	Midlothian.....	W. H. Armitage.....	A. C. Orchard.....	Third Monday
A — 92	Shoal Lake.....	Shoal Lake.....	D. J. Lawson.....	A. C. Orchard.....	Second Thursday
93	King Edward.....	King Edward.....	E. Ballendine.....	F. C. Davey.....	Third Wednesday
94	Hiram.....	Grandview.....	J. T. White.....	D. N. McIntyre.....	Third Thursday
100	Robbie Burns.....	Gilbert Plains.....	W. J. Hart.....	C. F. Shaw.....	Second Wednesday
101	Binscarth.....	Binscarth.....	J. N. Braendle.....	M. E. Clegg.....	Third Monday
102	Minota.....	Minota.....	R. G. Mitchell.....	W. H. Yarwood.....	Fourth Thursday
103	Crescent.....	Elm Creek.....	F. G. Tully.....	I. R. Ivey.....	First Wednesday
104	Reston.....	Reston.....	F. C. McMurchy.....	John Cuthill.....	Second Thursday
105	Prince Arthur.....	Swan River.....	R. H. J. Loat.....	H. W. Clark.....	First Thursday
106	Strathclair.....	Strathclair.....	W. L. McKay.....	John Lixsey.....	Third Tuesday
107	Lansdowne.....	Grissold.....	J. Donogh.....	W. D. Griggs.....	Fourth Tuesday
108	Union.....	Brookdale.....	H. B. Dennis.....	Robt. Barrett.....	Fourth Wednesday
A — 109	Swan Lake.....	Swan Lake.....	H. E. Foster.....	G. O. Couch.....	Third Thursday
110	Kilwinning.....	Minto.....	R. E. Fleming.....	H. V. Popple.....	Third Wednesday
A — 111	Acacia.....	Winnipeg.....	D. H. MacKay.....	Wm. Dewar.....	Second Monday
112	Ophir.....	Beausejour.....	A. S. Williams.....	B. Warkentin.....	Second Wednesday
113	Tweed.....	Brandon.....	E. J. Falconer.....	H. S. Perdue.....	Third Monday
114	"The Assiniboine".....	Winnipeg.....	E. J. W. Akins.....	O. E. MacQuoid.....	Third Tuesday
115	Rivers.....	Winnipeg.....	Thos. Smith.....	E. C. Smith.....	Last Monday
116	St. Andrew's.....	Wellwood.....	J. S. Titus.....	G. W. Wells.....	First Monday
117	Strathcona.....	Belmont.....	M. G. Kelly.....	R. D. Saunders.....	Fourth Tuesday
118	Mound.....	Pilot Mound.....	D. S. Later.....	R. E. Hicks.....	Fourth Thursday
119	Norwood.....	Norwood.....	E. Craven.....	W. M. Summers.....	Second Thursday
120	Penza.....	Dominion City.....	F. Casper.....	H. T. Kelly.....	Fourth Tuesday
121	St. James.....	St. James.....	R. G. Turnbull.....	E. S. Reeves.....	Second Wednesday
122	Roblin.....	Roblin.....	Jack Hanes.....	H. Maslove.....	Second Monday
123	Transcona.....	Transcona.....	H. J. MacKay.....	F. G. Turner.....	First Friday
124	The Pas.....	The Pas.....	L. G. Williams.....	Wm. Howie.....	First Thursday
125	Patricia.....	Sperling.....	W. G. Last.....	J. J. Tjaden.....	First Wednesday
126	Favel.....	Minitonas.....	George Hunter.....	G. D. Bertram.....	First Tuesday

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No.	Name of Lodge	P.O. Address	Master	Secretary	Time of Regular Meeting
127	Empire.....	Winnipeg	H. C. Paulley.....	A. D. Adamson.....	Second Monday
128	Victory.....	Benito.....	A. F. Scouten.....	H. S. Tax.....	Third Wednesday
130	Fort Carry.....	Winnipeg	E. McPherson.....	W. D. G. Runions.....	Second Wednesday
131	Kildonan.....	East Kildonan	R. Weatherston.....	C. H. Cook.....	Second Tuesday
132	Sprague.....	Sprague	Jack Mills.....	Thos. McCarthy.....	First Wednesday
133	McCreary.....	McCreary	J. E. Becker.....	Jas. Crout.....	Second Wednesday
134	Stony Mountain	Stony Mountain	H. A. Taylor.....	Thos. Hartley.....	First Friday
135	Capitol.....	Winnipeg	F. J. Robertson.....	W. J. Law.....	First Friday
137	Lord Selkirk	Winnipeg	J. Todd.....	G. R. Mackay.....	Second Wednesday
138	Windsor.....	St. Vital	H. Pilling.....	J. B. McClure.....	Second Monday
139	Beaver.....	Winnipeg	D. M. Sclanders.....	F. H. Herbert.....	Second Thursday
140	Meridian.....	Winnipeg	J. M. E. Newcastle.....	A. C. Cabel.....	Third Thursday
141	Tuscan.....	Winnipeg	S. H. Allen.....	N. C. Law.....	Second Thursday
142	Harmony.....	Cardale	N. S. McTavish.....	E. A. Corbett.....	Second Friday—a.m.
143	Mount Sinai.....	Winnipeg	L. Fineman.....	M. A. Nitkman.....	Fourth Thursday
144	Fort Osborne.....	Winnipeg	C. F. Kilpatrick.....	A. Laidlaw.....	First Tuesday
145	Sturgeon Creek	Sturgeon Creek	D. S. Simpson.....	L. D. Bester.....	First Monday
146	Fidelity.....	Winnipeg	K. A. M. Sutton.....	Wm. Wilson.....	First Friday
147	Jubilee.....	Bowsman	A. S. Ruddock.....	H. A. Caughlin.....	Second Thursday
148	Seven Oaks.....	West Kildonan	W. R. Munroe.....	H. A. Caughlin.....	Second Friday
150	Cartwright.....	Cartwright	G. I. McKay.....	A. C. Pritchard.....	Third Tuesday
151	The Dormer.....	East Kildonan	H. K. Parson.....	W. G. Kilpatrick.....	Third Tuesday
152	Foxwarren.....	Foxwarren	S. J. Stitt.....	R. W. Ross.....	First Wednesday
153	Flin Flon.....	Flin Flon	M. G. Laing.....	W. E. Hall.....	First Tuesday
154	Pine Falls.....	Pine Falls	L. E. Seebach.....	B. H. Campbell.....	Second Friday
155	Carman.....	Carman	Robt. Bingham.....	R. C. Metcalfe.....	Third Tuesday
156	Manitouwapa.....	Manitouwapa	S. Schwartz.....	D. McFadyen.....	Third Tuesday
157	Rice Lake.....	Bissett	C. F. Caswell.....	G. H. Lucas.....	First Friday
158	Fenwick.....	Brandon	H. N. Udell.....	H. M. Kerr.....	Fourth Friday
159	Newdale.....	Newdale	W. P. Everitt.....	F. J. Lawrence.....	First Thursday
160	Starbuck.....	Starbuck	W. L. Baldwin.....	F. L. Topham.....	Fourth Thursday
161	Fort Prince of Wales	Churchill	N. M. Greasley.....	H. C. Boswell.....	First Wednesday
162	Ashlar.....	Norwood	I. M. Taylor.....	G. E. Winter.....	First Tuesday
163	Charleswood	Charleswood	H. R. Sanderson.....	R. F. Steinhoff.....	Second Monday
164	Harry Woods	Lundar.....	G. Paulson.....	G. J. Breckman.....	Fourth Thursday
165	Friendship.....	Fort Carry	G. M. Farwell.....	H. C. Wolfe.....	First Thursday
166	Woodworth.....	Kenton	A. T. Grant.....	W. Wright.....	Second Wednesday
167	Menorah.....	Winnipeg	H. Bookhaizer.....	M. H. Tatchman.....	First Wednesday

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No.	NAME OF LODGE	Ini- tiated	Passed	Raised	Affil- iated	Re- instated	De- mitted	Sus- pended N.P.D.	Sus- pended U.M.C.	Died	Member- ship Dec. 31, 1952	Adjust- ments	Member- ship Dec. 31, 1953
1	Prince Rupert's.....	9	16	19	6	3	3	2	0	14	431	..	430
2	Lisgar.....	8	11	11	0	1	3	1	0	6	192	..	191
3	Ancient Landmark.....	16	17	9	0	3	2	2	0	10	382	..	387
4	St. John's.....	15	12	11	0	2	5	0	0	21	618	..	609
6	Emerson.....	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	74	..	77
7	Assiniboine.....	14	14	14	3	0	15	1	0	4	300	..	297
8	King Solomon.....	3	3	3	1	1	0	0	0	2	80	..	83
10	Northern Light.....	12	13	14	0	1	4	1	0	7	351	..	352
11	Gladstone.....	8	7	9	5	1	4	2	0	1	94	..	101
12	Stonewall.....	3	3	3	0	0	3	1	0	3	130	..	126
13	Morden.....	2	3	2	0	0	7	0	0	4	89	..	80
14	Prince of Wales.....	4	4	5	1	0	1	4	0	4	121	..	117
15	Corinthian.....	2	2	2	0	0	1	0	0	3	71	..	69
19	Brandon.....	9	11	12	3	0	0	0	0	4	254	..	262
24	Neepawa.....	3	3	3	1	0	2	2	0	4	169	..	165
25	Ionic.....	19	20	21	0	1	3	4	0	17	649	..	645
27	Glenwood.....	2	3	3	0	1	4	1	0	6	166	..	158
29	Carberry.....	3	3	3	2	0	0	1	0	0	71	..	75
30	Manitou.....	5	4	3	0	1	2	0	0	1	70	..	73
36	Doric.....	3	1	2	1	0	5	1	0	2	125	..	121
39	Birtle.....	3	4	3	3	0	1	0	0	1	65	..	69
40	Deloraine.....	2	1	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	91	..	90
43	Lebanon.....	8	7	7	2	0	7	2	0	3	101	..	99
44	Oak Lake.....	2	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	40	..	41
48	Glenboro.....	2	2	2	0	0	1	1	0	2	67	..	65
49	Temple.....	2	2	2	1	0	1	2	0	2	79	..	77
50	Killarney.....	5	5	6	1	1	2	0	0	2	76	..	79
51	Treherne.....	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	68	..	67
52	Hartney.....	2	2	3	2	0	1	1	0	3	107	..	106
54	Oriental.....	4	4	4	3	1	2	1	0	0	77	..	82

TABULAR STATEMENT OF CONSTITUENT LODGES, 31st DECEMBER, 1953—Continued

No.	NAME OF LODGE	Ini- tiated	Passed	Raised	Affil- iated	Re- instituted	De- mitted	Sus- pended N.P.D.	Sus- pended U.M.C.	Died	Member- ship Dec. 31, 1953	Adjust- ments	Member- ship Dec. 31, 1953
55	East Star.....	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	51	..	50
62	Russell.....	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	72	..	73
63	Holland.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	62	..	61
64	Composite.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	59	..	58
67	Wawanesa.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	68	..	65
68	Vermillion.....	11	10	10	1	0	5	5	0	9	204	-2	195
70	Shiloh.....	2	1	1	1	2	0	2	0	1	76	..	78
71	Crystal.....	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	88	..	89
74	Elkhorn.....	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	47	..	47
75	Gothic.....	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	1	59	..	57
77	Napinka.....	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	59	..	60
82	Cypress.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	44	..	43
84	Hamiota.....	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	79	..	80
86	Elgin.....	2	3	2	0	0	1	0	0	3	68	..	66
87	Rathwell.....	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	27	..	28
90	Midlothian.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	5	71	..	64
92	Shoal Lake.....	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	77	..	74
93	King Edward.....	17	17	16	1	1	7	0	0	6	310	..	316
94	Hiram.....	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	3	92	..	90
100	Robbie Burns.....	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	36	..	34
101	Binscarth.....	1	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	33	..	32
102	Miniota.....	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	55	..	53
103	Crescent.....	1	1	2	0	1	0	2	0	1	91	..	90
104	Reston.....	4	4	4	1	0	2	1	0	5	177	..	174
105	Prince Arthur.....	5	4	4	1	2	3	2	0	1	104	..	106
106	Strathclair.....	1	3	3	1	1	0	1	0	0	59	..	61
107	Lansdowne.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	50	..	49
108	Union.....	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	52	..	52
109	Swan Lake.....	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	44	..	45
110	Kilwinning.....	2	2	2	1	0	2	2	0	0	58	..	57

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No.	NAME OF LODGE	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Affiliated	Re-instated	De-mitted	Sus-pended N.P.D.	Sus-pended U.M.C.	Died	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1952	Adjustments	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1953
111	Acacia.....	12	13	16	1	2	3	2	0	2	322	-	330
112	Ophir.....	2	2	2	4	2	3	0	0	1	87	-	91
113	Tweed.....	16	15	15	2	1	3	3	0	3	268	-	278
114	"The Assiniboine"	16	12	13	1	0	3	2	0	7	371	-	377
115	Rivers.....	7	7	7	0	1	0	0	0	0	105	-	113
116	St. Andrew's.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	39	-	38
117	Strathcona.....	2	2	3	0	2	1	0	0	1	63	-	65
118	Mound.....	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	4	80	-	74
119	Norwood.....	21	22	21	6	0	8	3	0	9	306	-	313
120	Penza.....	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	2	56	-	55
121	St. James.....	15	15	16	2	0	3	1	0	5	285	-	293
122	Robin.....	2	2	1	0	1	0	5	0	2	70	-	66
123	Transcona.....	4	2	2	0	0	3	0	0	3	169	-	167
124	The Pas.....	10	11	9	1	0	1	0	0	2	136	-	144
125	Patricia.....	3	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	3	53	-	54
126	Favel.....	1	1	1	0	0	3	3	0	3	57	-	49
127	Empire.....	13	14	17	1	0	6	0	0	2	203	-	209
128	Victory.....	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	54	-	54
130	Fort Garry.....	25	27	15	4	1	8	1	0	7	327	-	341
131	Kildonan.....	8	9	12	1	1	0	0	0	5	137	-	142
132	Sprague.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	-	33
133	McCreary.....	2	2	3	3	0	2	0	0	4	55	-	54
134	Stony Mountain.....	4	4	4	1	2	4	0	0	2	80	-	81
136	Capitol.....	26	26	26	3	0	4	4	0	3	301	-	319
137	Lord Selkirk.....	16	12	13	3	1	0	2	0	3	150	-	169
138	Windsor.....	17	16	21	4	0	3	0	0	2	228	-	244
139	Beaver.....	13	9	10	1	1	2	5	0	4	306	-	310
140	Meridian.....	20	17	17	4	1	2	5	0	11	393	-	400
141	Tuscan.....	6	6	7	1	1	0	0	0	2	108	-	114
142	Harmony.....	2	3	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	36	-	36

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No.	NAME OF LODGE	Ini- tiated	Passed	Raised	Affil- iated	Re- instated	De- mitted	Sus- pended N.P.D.	Sus- pended U.M.C.	Died	Member- ship Dec. 31, 1952	Adjust- ments	Member- ship Dec. 31, 1953
143	Mt. Sinai.....	15	14	16	0	0	0	1	0	4	338	..	348
144	Fort Osborne.....	13	12	15	1	1	2	0	0	2	229	..	240
145	Sturgeon Creek.....	14	15	12	3	0	3	1	0	1	163	..	175
146	Fidelity.....	23	14	15	3	3	1	0	0	9	280	..	299
147	Jubilee.....	7	7	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	63	..	71
148	Seven Oaks.....	10	7	9	1	2	3	1	0	3	132	..	138
150	Cartwright.....	5	5	5	1	0	2	0	0	0	40	..	44
151	The Dormer.....	8	8	8	1	0	0	0	0	1	119	..	127
152	Foxwarren.....	4	4	4	2	0	0	0	0	1	36	..	41
153	Flin Flon.....	8	8	13	1	0	0	1	0	4	167	..	171
154	Pine Falls.....	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	75	..	77
155	Carman.....	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	84	..	86
156	Manitouwapa.....	3	2	1	2	0	3	1	0	0	69	..	70
157	Rice Lake.....	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	46	..	49
158	Fenwick.....	8	16	17	10	0	4	0	0	1	137	..	150
159	Newdale.....	3	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	..	36
160	Starbuck.....	7	5	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	60	..	66
161	Port Prince of Wales	21	21	22	5	0	7	16	0	0	84	-4	83
162	Ashlar.....	8	8	8	2	0	0	0	0	0	54	..	64
163	Charleswood.....	6	5	5	1	0	0	0	0	1	58	..	64
164	Harry Woods.....	4	4	4	1	0	1	0	0	0	60	..	64
165	Friendship.....	12	13	18	9	0	2	0	0	0	76	..	95
166	Woodworth.....	7	7	9	3	0	0	0	0	0	23	..	33
	U.D. Marquette	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	.....	..	32
	Charter Members, U.D. Lodge.....	33
	Totals.....	691	673	697	146	50	213	108	0	301	14917	-6	15176

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No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non- Resi- dent Mem- bers	Resi- dent Mem- bers	Aver- age of 12 Mem- bers	No. of Mem- bers in arrears	Total of all Arrear- ages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Con- dition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
1	Prince Rupert's.....	9	5	14	137	293	70	16	143.50	310.00	1,180.97	956.44	19,951.53	2,300.00	Active	1	Rent
3	Ancient Landmark.....	9	8	17	104	283	82	29	372.00	25.00	1,386.72	646.10	35,776.86	2,900.00	Active	1	Rent
4	St. John's.....	9	13	22	156	453	85	28	338.00	.....	4,319.03	700.00	39,254.10	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
10	Northern Light.....	9	14	23	180	260	65	13	126.00	286.00	2,037.71	143.00	13,850.39	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
25	Ionian.....	10	14	24	180	465	112	49	746.75	236.14	1,163.70	1,662.50	63,036.89	2,500.00	Active	1	Rent
93	King Edward.....	9	5	14	79	237	72	12	138.00	211.97	1,788.56	614.00	9,427.31	500.00	Active	1	Rent
111	Acacia.....	9	8	17	61	269	37	31	339.00	75.00	.....	908.47	18,241.53	1,500.00	Active	1	P. Own.
114	The Assiniboine.....	10	3	13	90	287	82	3	38.00	166.00	1,464.34	.....	19,465.34	1,500.00	Active	1	Rent
119	Norwood.....	9	14	23	49	264	78	17	214.00	279.00	530.31	350.00	13,738.43	19,000.00	Active	1	Rent
121	St. James.....	9	8	17	53	238	74	23	210.00	393.85	689.73	391.00	15,733.73	3,500.00	Active	1	Rent
127	Empire.....	9	14	23	32	177	60	27	348.00	693.00	1,069.37	.....	13,531.23	6,000.00	Active	1	Own
162	Ashtar.....	9	11	20	4	60	31	2	20.00	.....	1,637.87	425.55	1,960.32	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
165	Friendship.....	9	6	15	8	87	43	3	24.00	.....	1,427.06	428.25	1,755.34	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING
31st DECEMBER, 1953.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non- Resi- dent Mem- bers	Resi- dent Mem- bers	Aver- age of 12 Mem- bers	No. of Mem- bers in arrears	Total of all Arrear- ages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Con- dition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
7	Assiniboine.....	10	17	27	102	182	70	41	361.00	95.90	917.45	.....	15,906.40	34,000.00	Active	1	Own
11	Gladstone.....	12	3	15	37	64	38	8	68.00	62.40	402.22	.....	7,252.22	6,000.00	Active	1	Own
24	Neepawa.....	10	4	14	68	97	40	11	130.00	55.00	851.89	1,860.65	4,491.24	1,500.00	Active	1	Rent
29	Carberry.....	10	1	11	31	44	21	4	38.00	64.80	63.52	.....	3,863.52	3,000.00	Active	1	Own
49	Temple.....	12	2	14	33	44	30	29	203.00	100.00	114.00	581.00	6,683.00	7,000.00	Active	1	Own
75	Gothic.....	11	0	11	25	31	15	7	49.00	.....	165.51	.....	2,365.51	2,500.00	Active	1	Own
108	Union.....	11	1	12	31	32	15	8	66.00	70.00	671.79	800.00	2,607.54	3,000.00	Active	1	Own
116	St. Andrew's.....	11	1	12	22	16	12	7	54.00	27.00	87.57	200.00	3,662.57	5,000.00	Active	1	Own
133	McCreary.....	12	1	13	18	36	20	12	140.00	45.00	358.33	.....	4,698.33	4,400.00	Active	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING
31st DECEMBER, 1953.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non- Resi- dent Mem- bers	Resi- dent Mem- bers	Aver- of Atten. Mem- bers	No. of Mem. in arrears	Total of all Arrear- ages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Con- dition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
48	Glenboro.....	10	2	12	23	42	22	3	28.00	66.62	595.82	.....	945.82	700.00	Active	1	Rent
51	Tricherie.....	10	1	11	22	45	22	4	56.00	18.00	107.39	.....	5,507.39	5,000.00	Active	1	Own
63	Holland.....	10	0	10	27	34	18	5	30.00	.....	391.98	.....	1,879.44	400.00	Active	1	Rent
67	Wawanesa.....	10	2	12	22	43	28	7	112.50	26.80	254.98	.....	1,054.98	350.00	Active	1	Rent
82	Cypress.....	9	2	11	15	28	12	9	84.00	.....	556.00	.....	1,206.00	600.00	Active	1	Rent
87	Rathwell.....	9	0	9	10	18	12	3	16.00	.....	777.53	.....	1,070.68	300.00	Active	1	Rent
103	Crescent.....	9	1	10	27	63	35	8	48.00	72.34	689.21	.....	2,589.37	800.00	Active	1	Rent
109	Swan Lake.....	11	1	12	14	31	20	7	108.00	.....	149.33	.....	2,849.33	2,000.00	Active	1	Own
117	Strathcona.....	12	1	13	20	45	25	6	55.00	124.59	797.25	.....	3,752.25	690.00	Active	1	Rent
160	Starbuck.....	11	0	11	3	63	32	0	.....	.....	2,149.54	.....	2,899.54	750.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING
31st DECEMBER, 1953.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Reg.	Emer.	Total	Non- Resi- dent Mem- bers	Resi- dent Mem- bers	Aver- of Atten. Mem- bers	No. of Mem. in arrears	Total of all Arrear- ages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Con- dition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
13	Morden.....	10	3	13	32	48	17	12	109.50	209.95	1,265.96	.....	2,210.96	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
30	Manitou.....	11	3	14	24	49	25	3	22.00	.....	626.63	500.00	4,476.63	3,450.00	Active	1	Own
36	Doric.....	11	2	13	39	82	30	19	133.00	75.00	1,231.00	1,750.00	11,981.00	12,000.00	Active	1	Own
50	Killarney.....	12	2	14	23	56	22	7	49.00	.....	488.02	.....	3,218.02	250.00	Active	1	Rent
71	Crystal.....	12	3	15	26	63	33	16	96.00	99.91	111.69	.....	1,311.69	200.00	Active	1	Rent
118	Mound.....	11	4	15	16	58	20	8	81.00	78.60	68.07	44.00	7,724.07	3,000.00	Active	1	Own
150	Cartwright.....	10	0	10	26	18	14	4	42.00	94.75	1,124.83	.....	1,424.83	200.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING
31st DECEMBER, 1953.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Mem- bers	Resi- dent Mem- bers	Aver- age Mem- bers	No. of Mem- bers in arrears	Total of all Arrear- ages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Con- dition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
14	Prince of Wales.....	10	3	13	58	59	31	15	162.00	115.00	390.64	120.52	8,872.12	9,500.00	Active	1	Own
15	Corinthian.....	12	3	15	6	63	20	11	120.00	45.00	289.75	.....	5,519.75	3,600.00	Active	1	Own
39	Birtle.....	10	2	12	21	48	27	10	65.00	10.80	478.94	.....	6,543.94	8,000.00	Active	1	Own
62	Russell.....	10	2	12	21	52	29	10	96.50	29.00	71.24	.....	5,971.24	5,200.00	Active	1	Own
84	Hamota.....	12	0	12	13	67	25	6	57.00	13.52	589.87	.....	1,339.87	1,250.00	Active	1	Rent
92	Shoal Lake.....	8	0	8	46	28	11	17	210.00	20.00	606.87	55.00	2,905.87	1,500.00	Active	1	Own
101	Binscarth.....	11	1	12	9	23	10	7	112.00	.....	45.73	90.00	705.73	750.00	Active	1	Rent
102	Minota.....	10	2	12	28	25	15	5	35.00	24.22	251.64	.....	4,255.81	3,625.00	Active	1	Own
106	Strathclair.....	12	1	13	22	38	19	5	48.75	15.00	278.47	48.25	3,785.24	3,000.00	Active	1	Own
115	Rivers.....	10	1	11	47	66	27	19	143.75	.....	559.01	.....	7,844.41	10,800.00	Active	1	Own
142	Harmony.....	11	1	12	13	23	12	2	12.50	.....	280.92	.....	780.92	500.00	Active	1	Rent
152	Foxwarren.....	12	1	13	17	24	18	5	42.00	.....	518.39	.....	1,818.39	2,100.00	Active	1	Own
159	Newdale.....	12	1	13	9	27	17	1	5.00	24.05	450.10	.....	1,450.10	1,000.00	Active	1	Own
166	Woodworth.....	12	1	13	2	31	21	0	.....	134.34	303.64	.....	803.64	500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING
31st DECEMBER, 1953.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Mem- bers	Resi- dent Mem- bers	Aver- age Mem- bers	No. of Mem- bers in arrears	Total of all Arrear- ages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Con- dition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
27	Glenwood.....	10	3	13	71	87	38	18	165.00	162.40	3,521.57	.....	28,721.57	19,500.00	Active	1	Own
40	Deloraine.....	11	1	12	25	65	25	18	285.00	69.00	315.05	2,729.50	17,751.55	16,500.00	Active	1	Own
52	Hartney.....	12	0	12	51	56	35	8	70.00	66.42	232.56	150.00	3,033.13	1,600.00	Active	1	Rent
54	Oriental.....	12	0	12	52	30	22	8	60.00	70.00	1,373.71	162.75	3,255.96	600.00	Active	1	Rent
77	Napinka.....	11	0	11	18	42	10	14	108.00	50.00	195.12	.....	4,645.12	500.00	Active	1	Rent
86	Elgin.....	10	2	12	12	54	22	11	101.50	.....	425.00	.....	825.00	.....	Active	1	Rent
104	Reston.....	12	3	15	42	132	42	23	184.00	43.71	223.59	199.55	17,723.59	15,500.00	Active	1	Rent
110	Kilwinning.....	12	0	12	23	34	20	9	130.00	.....	74.95	297.30	2,507.65	2,600.00	Active	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1953.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non- Resi- dent Mem- bers	Resi- dent Mem- bers	Aver- Atten. Mem- bers	No. of Mem- bers in arrears	Total of all Arrear- ages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Con- dition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
19	Brandon.....	10	12	22	78	184	37	53	584.00	276.69	1,570.46	.....	11,120.46	.....	Active	1	Rent
43	Lebanon.....	10	3	13	51	48	30	8	76.50	54.45	614.25	.....	2,714.25	450.00	Active	1	Rent
44	Oak Lake.....	10	0	10	14	27	14	6	56.00	40.00	337.61	.....	3,087.61	1,900.00	Active	1	Own
64	Composite.....	10	1	11	20	38	22	0	.....	35.00	209.12	.....	2,309.12	1,400.00	Active	1	Own
74	Elkhorn.....	10	0	10	23	24	14	9	110.00	.....	485.01	1,272.00	2,213.01	4,800.00	Active	1	Own
107	Lansdowne.....	10	1	11	18	32	15	6	42.00	20.00	101.50	.....	4,601.50	3,000.00	Active	1	Own
113	Tweed.....	10	10	20	100	178	42	45	358.80	530.00	2,037.76	828.75	21,894.51	.....	Active	1	Rent
158	Fenwick.....	10	10	20	40	110	24	5	42.00	168.83	1,580.94	773.50	2,349.56	500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1953.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non- Resi- dent Mem- bers	Resi- dent Mem- bers	Aver- Atten. Mem- bers	No. of Mem- bers in arrears	Total of all Arrear- ages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Con- dition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
6	Emerson.....	12	2	14	31	46	20	8	232.00	58.83	578.94	.....	18,211.41	8,700.00	Active	1	Own
8	King Solomon.....	12	4	16	27	56	30	5	74.00	.....	674.61	.....	21,262.96	16,500.00	Active	1	Own
55	East Star.....	10	0	10	35	15	10	8	58.00	.....	157.87	.....	2,158.87	2,000.00	Active	1	Own
70	Shiloh.....	10	0	10	24	54	27	6	43.00	84.00	318.36	.....	11,495.36	10,650.00	Active	1	Own
90	Midlothian.....	10	0	10	20	44	16	9	63.00	30.15	652.89	101.50	1,872.18	200.00	Active	1	Rent
120	Penza.....	11	0	11	19	36	17	5	35.00	30.04	821.34	.....	3,321.34	2,500.00	Active	1	Own
125	Patricia.....	10	2	12	24	30	22	4	36.00	31.50	618.55	.....	8,178.55	7,000.00	Active	1	Own
132	Sprague.....	1	0	1	18	15	13	8	94.00	28.00	216.71	.....	816.71	500.00	Dorm.	1	Rent
153	Carman.....	10	1	11	21	65	26	14	110.00	40.00	595.44	.....	1,532.58	500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING
31st DECEMBER, 1953.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held		Non- Resi- dent Mem- bers	Resi- dent Mem- bers	Aver- agen- of 12 Mem- bers	No. of Mem- bers in arrears	Total of all Arrear- ages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Con- dition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.													
68	Vermilion.....	11	9	20	119	50	33	625.00	.....	746.98	3,665.19	12,289.12	10,000.00	Active	1	Own
94	Hiram.....	12	1	13	50	30	14	110.00	175.00	235.20	1,200.00	2,435.20	2,500.00	Active	1	Own
100	Robbie Burns.....	10	0	10	17	12	5	48.00	.....	51.08	.....	801.08	200.00	Active	1	Own
105	Prince Arthur.....	12	3	15	70	30	22	200.00	87.52	1,571.93	300.00	2,681.93	1,000.00	Active	1	Own
122	Roblin.....	12	3	15	45	22	10	130.00	.....	9.94	2,000.00	10,540.51	12,000.00	Active	1	Own
126	Favel.....	11	2	13	35	20	3	31.00	150.30	628.18	.....	1,328.18	700.00	Active	1	Own
128	Victory.....	9	1	10	24	30	14	62.00	.....	230.47	.....	1,180.47	300.00	Active	1	Own
147	Jubilee.....	11	1	12	47	19	18	285.00	87.00	211.03	.....	661.03	300.00	Active	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING
31st DECEMBER, 1953.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held		Non- Resi- dent Mem- bers	Resi- dent Mem- bers	Aver- agen- of 12 Mem- bers	No. of Mem- bers in arrears	Total of all Arrear- ages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Con- dition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.													
2	Lisgar.....	9	10	19	101	41	34	265.00	96.39	1,716.55	.....	18,716.55	12,000.00	Active	1	Own
12	Stonewall.....	10	5	15	90	40	8	72.00	116.11	438.55	.....	6,738.55	5,760.00	Active	1	Own
112	Ophir.....	10	1	11	76	26	13	98.00	.....	247.57	.....	11,747.57	11,000.00	Active	1	Own
123	Transcona.....	9	3	12	142	35	28	432.50	224.65	2,621.11	.....	6,418.14	1,000.00	Active	1	Own
131	Kildonan.....	9	8	17	111	40	9	108.00	130.00	702.20	118.50	10,258.96	500.00	Active	1	Own
134	Stony Mountain.....	11	5	16	65	23	5	47.00	.....	525.41	.....	4,925.41	2,400.00	Active	1	Own
148	Seven Oaks.....	9	5	14	118	48	11	85.00	322.50	483.76	10,765.00	9,383.76	1,500.00	Active	1	Own
151	The Dormer.....	9	7	16	117	44	21	250.00	132.00	811.83	201.00	10,716.40	500.00	Active	1	Own
154	Pine Falls.....	10	1	11	53	27	15	70.00	107.29	1,228.93	495.85	4,685.56	400.00	Active	1	Own
156	Manitouwapa.....	9	0	9	61	25	5	32.50	53.05	1,254.63	105.50	2,550.13	600.00	Active	1	Own
164	Harry Woods.....	12	0	12	63	32	5	50.00	.....	746.71	.....	747.71	600.00	Active	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING
31st DECEMBER, 1953.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held		Non- Resi- dent Mem- bers	Resi- dent Mem- bers	Aver- Atten. of Mem- bers	No. of 12 Mem- mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrear- ages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Con- dition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.													
130	Fort Garry.....	9	8	65	276	100	30	291.00	94.65	1,001.20	410.00	8,814.92	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
136	Capitol.....	9	8	49	270	97	29	279.00	738.00	2,082.98	.....	6,882.98	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
137	Lord Selkirk.....	9	7	29	140	63	13	194.50	219.45	914.97	.....	6,114.97	750.00	Active	1	Rent
138	Windsor.....	9	12	36	206	76	36	358.00	150.00	466.12	760.01	59,694.10	35,000.00	Active	1	Own
139	Beaver.....	9	9	74	235	64	34	338.00	177.55	2,343.01	.....	8,096.01	.....	Active	1	Rent
140	Meridian.....	9	8	76	324	89	40	360.60	597.80	858.94	530.00	18,303.44	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
141	Tuscan.....	9	2	20	94	43	17	229.50	182.46	929.21	289.50	2,999.63	500.00	Active	1	Rent
143	Mount Sinai.....	9	6	43	305	75	41	502.00	.....	1,881.59	790.29	13,299.84	500.00	Active	1	Rent
144	Port Osborne.....	9	7	45	195	60	40	435.00	363.58	1,438.18	.....	7,348.48	500.00	Active	1	Rent
145	Sturgeon Creek.....	9	9	18	141	52	25	274.00	38.00	3,045.10	.....	6,087.77	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
146	Fidelity.....	9	9	52	247	66	34	340.00	247.54	2,097.25	361.50	11,676.75	200.00	Active	1	Rent
163	Charleswood.....	9	10	7	57	33	7	96.00	65.00	838.62	.....	3,632.37	1,500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT OF LODGES UNDER SPECIAL SUPERVISION OF THE M.W. THE GRAND
MASTER FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1953.

No.	NAME	Reg.	Emer.	Non- Resi- dent Mem- bers	Resi- dent Mem- bers	Aver- Atten. of Mem- bers	No. of 12 Mem- mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrear- ages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Con- dition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
124	The Pas.....	9	9	45	95	18	30	461.25	19.10	553.81	.....	4,353.81	11,400.00	Active	1	Own
153	Flin Flon.....	10	12	59	112	41	18	191.25	377.00	1,395.19	192.10	15,419.06	16,500.00	Active	1	Own
157	Rice Lake.....	9	1	19	30	23	6	35.00	109.15	615.44	.....	615.44	500.00	Active	1	Rent
161	Port Prince of Wales.....	12	23	47	36	18	10	65.91	15.00	1,256.87	.....	1,256.87	5,000.00	Active	1	Own

LIST OF GRAND LODGES WITH THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES

Grand Lodge	Grand Secretary	Addresses
Alabama.....	C. H. Stubinger.....	Montgomery, P.O. Box 98
Alberta.....	E. H. Rivers.....	Calgary, Masonic Temple
Alpina (Switzerland).....	Marcel Wiegandt.....	Geneva, 10—Grand-Quae
Argentina.....	Alcibiades Lappas.....	Buenos Aires, Cangallo 1242 (Rm. 28)
Arizona.....	J. A. E. Ivey.....	Tucson, P.O. Box 1488
Arkansas.....	W. A. Thomas.....	Little Rock, Masonic Temple
British Columbia.....	J. H. N. Morgan.....	Vancouver, 692 Seymour St.
California.....	Lloyd E. Wilson.....	San Francisco, 25 Van Ness St.
Canada (Ontario).....	E. G. Dixon.....	Hamilton, P.O. Drawer 217
Chile.....	Zacarias Gomez M.....	Santiago, Casilla 2867
Colombia.....	Pedro A. Baquero G.....	Bogota, Apartado 2519
Colorado.....	H. W. Bundy.....	Denver 2, 300 Masonic Temple, 1614 Welton St.
Connecticut.....	Earle K. Haling.....	Hartford 3, Masonic Temple
Costa Rica.....	Enrique Chaves Bolanos.....	San Jose, Apartado "Y"
Cuba.....	Jose F. Castellanos.....	Havana, Apartado 72
Delaware.....	Chester R. Jones.....	Wilmington, 813 Market St.
Denmark, N.G.L.....	Einar Hoeg.....	Copenhagen, 23 Blegdsamvej
District of Colombia.....	Raymond N. Babcock.....	Washington 5, Masonic Temple
Ecuador.....	J. A. Vallejo Ycaza.....	Guayaquil, F.C.O.P. Lavayen, No. 222
England.....	Sir Sydney A. White.....	London, Gt. Queen St.
Florida.....	Geo. W. Huff.....	Jacksonville 2, Masonic Temple
France, G. L.....	Marc Rabrosse.....	8 Rue Puteaux, Paris
France, N.G.L.....	L. F. Poirson.....	Paris, 65 Boulevard Beniau, Neuilly-sur-Seine
Georgia.....	D. W. Locklin.....	Macon, 811 Mulberry St.
Guatemala.....	C. E. Bianchi.....	Guatemala City, Apartado 312
Honduras.....	Miguel A. Zelaya.....	Tegucigalpa, Box 28, Honduras, C.A.
Idaho.....	Clyde I. Rush.....	Boise, P.O. Box 1677
Illinois.....	R. C. Davenport.....	Harrisburg, P.O. Box 441
Indiana.....	Dwight L. Smith.....	Indianapolis, Masonic Temple
Iowa.....	Earl B. Delzell.....	Cedar Rapids, Masonic Temple
Ireland.....	Henry C. Shellard.....	Dublin, 17 Molesworth St.
Kansas.....	Arthur H. Strickland.....	Topeka, 320 West 8th. St.
Kentucky.....	A. E. Orton.....	Louisville, 200 Shubert Bldg.
Louisiana.....	D. Peter Laguens Jr.....	New Orleans, 333 St. Charles St.
Maine.....	Convers E. Leach.....	Portland, Masonic Temple
Manitoba.....	Thos. C. Jackson.....	Winnipeg, Masonic Temple
Maryland.....	Claude Shaffer.....	Baltimore, Masonic Temple
Massachusetts.....	Earl W. Taylor.....	Boston 16, 51 Boylston Ave.
Mexico, Y.G.L.....	Carl E. DeVries.....	Mexico 1, D.F.,—Apartado 1986
Michigan.....	C. T. Sherman.....	Grand Rapids, Masonic Temple
Minnesota.....	J. B. Tomhave.....	St. Paul, Masonic Temple
Mississippi.....	Sid. F. Curtis.....	Meridian, P.O. Box 1030
Missouri.....	Harold L. Reader.....	St. Louis, 3681 Lindell Blvd.
Montana.....	Byron F. Gaither.....	Helena, P.O. Box 1158
Nebraska.....	Carl R. Greisen.....	Omaha, 401 Masonic Temple
Netherlands.....	Dr. A. A. Galestin.....	The Hague, Fluwelenv Burgwal 22
Nevada.....	E. C. Peterson.....	Carson City, P.O. Box 467
New Brunswick.....	R. D. Magee.....	Saint John, P.O. Box 430
New Hampshire.....	Harold O. Cady.....	Concord, 44 S. Main St.
New Jersey.....	Isaac Cherry.....	Trenton 10, 100 Willow St.
New Mexico.....	Chandler C. Thomas.....	Albuquerque, P.O. Box 535
New South Wales.....	James S. Miller.....	Sydney, 279 Castlereagh St.
New York.....	Edward R. Carman.....	New York 10, 71 West 23rd St.
New Zealand.....	F. G. Northern.....	Wellington, P.O. Box 1833
North Carolina.....	W. L. McIver.....	Raleigh, P.O. Box 3068
North Dakota.....	Harold S. Pond.....	Fargo, P.O. Box 1269
Norway.....	Odd Lie-Davidsen.....	Oslo, N. Voldgate 19
Nova Scotia.....	R. V. Harris.....	Halifax, P.O. Box 522
Ohio.....	H. S. Johnson.....	Cincinnati, 2-317 East 5th St.
Oklahoma.....	C. A. Sturgeon.....	Guthrie, Masonic Temple

LIST OF GRAND LODGES WITH THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES
OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES—Continued

Grand Lodge	Grand Secretary	Addresses
Oregon.....	H. D. Proudfoot.....	Portland, 1119 S.W. Park
Panama.....	Nathan A. Reid.....	Panama, Apartado 84
Paraiba.....	Enezio Barbosa.....	Paraiba, P.O. Box 3—Brazil
Pennsylvania.....	George A. Avery.....	Philadelphia 7, Masonic Temple
Philippine Islands.....	Antonio Gonzalez.....	Manila, P.O. Box 990
Puerto Rico.....	Emiliano Isales.....	P.O. 8385, Santurce
Prince Edward Island.....	F. A. VanInderstine.....	Charlottetown, P.O. Box 112
Quebec.....	R. W. Louthood.....	Montreal, 1559 St. Marks St.
Queensland.....	E. G. Radford.....	Brisbane, Box 675K; G.P.O.
Rhode Island.....	N. Arthur Hyland.....	Providence, Masonic Temple
Rio de Janeiro.....	J. J. DePinna.....	Rio de Janeiro, P.O. Box 2215
Santa Domingo.....	J. M. Perez Andujar.....	Santa Domingo
Saskatchewan.....	Robt. A. Tate.....	Regina, Masonic Temple
Sao Paulo.....	Henrique Smith.....	Sao Paulo, P.O. Box 8348
Scotland.....	Alex. F. Buchan.....	Edinburgh, 96 George St.
South Australia.....	F. J. Ellen.....	Adelaide, Box 19, Rundle St. P.O.
South Carolina.....	H. F. Collins.....	Columbia, 502 Palmetto State Life Bldg.
South Dakota.....	E. F. Strain.....	Sioux Falls, P.O. Box 468
Tasmania.....	H. A. Wilkinson.....	Hobart, 117 Macquarrie St.
Tennessee.....	Thos. E. Doss.....	Nashville 2, P.O. Box 216
Texas.....	Harvey C. Byrd.....	Waco, P.O. Box 446
Utah.....	E. R. Gibson.....	Salt Lake City, 650 E. South Temple St.
Vermont.....	Aaron H. Grout.....	Burlington, Masonic Temple
Victoria.....	C. W. Davis.....	Melbourne, 25 Collins St.
Virginia.....	James N. Hillman.....	Richmond, Masonic Temple
Washington.....	J. I. Preisener.....	Tacoma 3, Masonic Temple
West Virginia.....	J. B. Hollingsworth.....	Charleston 28, P.O. Box 2346
Western Australia.....	N. J. Munro.....	Perth, Box d-117-G.P.O.
Wisconsin.....	P. W. Grossenbach, Jr.....	Milwaukee, 705 E. Wells St.
Wyoming.....	Irving E. Clark.....	Casper, P.O. Box 459

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES

Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Alabama	C. H. Stubinger	Montgomery	Mar. 10, 1937
Alberta	W. H. Jackson	Innisfail	Mar. 19, 1954
Alpina (Switzerland)	Wm. Planta	Berne	Sept. 2, 1941
Argentina	Cesar de Madariaga	Buenos Aires	Apr. 21, 1954
Arizona	Rev. R. S. Calder	Phoenix	Jan. 31, 1940
Arkansas	J. H. Pinson	El-Dorado	Mar. 27, 1925
British Columbia	Donald Adams	Revelstoke	Oct. 13, 1930
Canada (In Ontario)	Chas. S. Hamilton	Toronto	Mar. 22, 1944
Chile	Artouro de la Cruz	Santiago	Oct. 14, 1929
Colombia	Alfred G. Williams	Bogota	Nov. 24, 1942
Colorado	Ira C. Foster	Montrose	Feb. 24, 1940
Connecticut	W. A. Hunt	Forestville	Apr. 22, 1939
Costa Rica	M. J. Piza Gabriel	Cartago	Dec. 18, 1952
Cuba	T. E. Sierra	Havana	June 6, 1923
Delaware	Louis S. Cain	Wilmington	Jan. 29, 1927
Denmark	A. T. K. Troedsson	Copenhagen	Sept. 4, 1946
District of Columbia	Convass B. Dean	Arlington (Va.)	Aug. 8, 1949
Ecuador	Octavio Moran	Guayaquil	July 21, 1932
England	The Rt. Hon. Viscount de Vesci	Monk Hopton, Bridgnorth	Nov. 25, 1939
Florida	Frank H. Brown	Miami	Apr. 2, 1940
France, G.L.	Louis Doignon	Paris	Feb. 22, 1952
France, N.G.L.	G. H. Hargreaves	Paris	Apr. 26, 1936
Guatemala	D. W. Orbough	Guatemala City	May 23, 1953
Georgia	H. Sol. Clark	Savannah	Oct. 5, 1953
Honduras	J. M. Lopez	Honduras	Dec. 1, 1931
Idaho	Neil R. Fitch	Payette	Dec. 9, 1941
Illinois	Dr. G. H. Stephens	Danville	Aug. 30, 1924
Indiana	Guy L. Roberts	Indianapolis	Sept. 15, 1951
Iowa	C. D. Jory	Sheldon	May 20, 1953
Ireland	David Ferris	Newry	Nov. 1, 1921
Kansas	Homer C. Anderson	Topeka	Mar. 8, 1951
Kentucky	F. W. Gallagher	Louisville	Oct. 15, 1953
Louisiana	J. A. Thompson	Minden	Dec. 19, 1950
Maine	Geo. R. Caswell	Augusta	Apr. 14, 1952
Maryland	Chas. Reichhardt	Baltimore	Feb. 5, 1944
Massachusetts	Roger A. Vint	Malden	Nov. 28, 1950
Mexico, Y. G. L.	H. S. Golding	Mexico	May 15, 1954
Michigan	Louis Anderson	Omena	June 1, 1932
Minnesota	C. E. Hegman	St. Paul	June 27, 1949
Mississippi	A. F. Copeland	Leland	Apr. 19, 1932
Missouri	H. C. Johnston	Boonville	Nov. 16, 1936
Montana	J. C. Haglund		June 15, 1954
Nebraska	E. C. Purdy	Gordon	July 7, 1943
Netherlands	Dr. M. ten Cate	Amsterdam	Apr. 16, 1948
Nevada	S. P. Kafoury	Reno	June 2, 1933
New Brunswick	Alfred Page	Woodstock	Apr. 14, 1939
New Hampshire	D. W. Hopkins	Greenfield	Aug. 27, 1943
New Jersey	J. F. Russell	Jersey City	Apr. 1, 1923
New Mexico	J. G. Benton	Jal.	Dec. 4, 1945
New South Wales	S. A. Taplin	Drummoyne	Aug. 5, 1947
New York	W. H. DeChant	New York	Mar. 20, 1951
New Zealand	R. W. Carpenter	Hawk's Bay	Mar. 4, 1948
North Carolina	J. L. Peacock	Tarboro	July 10, 1935
North Dakota	Harold S. Pond	Fargo	Mar. 4, 1953
Norway	Sigurd Halvorsen	Oslo	July 30, 1948
Nova Scotia	Rev. G. R. Thompson	Truro	May 18, 1943
Ohio	F. R. Dwyer	Bradford	July 28, 1943
Oklahoma	J. Gard Duncan	Wapanucka	Dec. 31, 1946
Oregon	Wilmot K. Royal	Portland	Dec. 4, 1933
Panama	Andres Mojica	Panama	Jan. 20, 1953
Paraiiba	Dr. Arlindo Correa	Paraiiba	July 10, 1939
Philippine Islands	Gonzalo T. Vales	Manila	Feb. 6, 1940
Puerto Rico	Leon G. Reyes	Caguas	May 4, 1945

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Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Prince Edward Island.....	Frank S. Myers.....	Crapaud.....	June 20, 1953
Quebec.....	W. R. Allen.....	Montreal.....	Jan. 14, 1918
Queensland.....	Wm. K. McLuckie.....	Brisbane.....	June 1, 1923
Rhode Island.....	H. V. Allan.....	Warwick.....	July 29, 1948
Rio de Janeiro.....	L. Bert Love.....	Rio de Janeiro.....	Nov. 11, 1944
Sao Paulo.....	Mauricio Utechitel.....	Sao Paulo.....	July 27, 1951
Saskatchewan.....	F. C. Hayes.....	Swift Current.....	July 23, 1945
Scotland.....	O. M. Watson.....	Glasgow.....	Aug. 19, 1948
South Australia.....	H. C. Souter.....	Adelaide.....	May 13, 1954
South Carolina.....	Wm. W. Gregory.....	Inman.....	May 15, 1934
South Dakota.....	Jess. H. Thorpe.....	Watertown.....	Jan. 15, 1937
Tasmania.....	R. V. W. Green.....	Launceston.....	Apr. 24, 1928
Tennessee.....	H. H. Harter.....	Clarksville.....	Mar. 2, 1953
Texas.....	J. W. Pender.....	Denton.....	Mar. 1, 1931
Utah.....	J. W. Buck.....	Park City.....	Oct. 4, 1945
Vermont.....	A. H. Winchester.....	Brattleboro.....	Jan. 5, 1944
Victoria.....	E. J. Carter.....	Melbourne.....	Sept. 10, 1934
Virginia.....	Hugh M. Reid.....	Arlington.....	Nov. 21, 1949
Washington.....	G. L. Buck.....	Seattle.....	Mar. 1, 1951
West Virginia.....	C. B. Ahrens.....	Wheeling.....	Aug. 17, 1939
Western Australia.....	T. H. Bath.....	Perth.....	Dec. 13, 1946
Wisconsin.....	R. H. Watson.....	Milwaukee.....	May 1, 1939

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Alabama.....	B. Warkentin.....	Beausejour.....	Mar. 24, 1948
Alberta.....	H. M. Kerr.....	Brandon.....	Nov. 25, 1930
Alpina (Switzerland).....	S. H. Fahrni.....	Portage la Prairie.....	Jan. 16, 1952
Argentina.....	J. F. Irwin.....	Neepawa.....	May 19, 1954
Arizona.....	A. D. Blair.....	Alexander.....	Aug. 6, 1953
Arkansas.....	George H. Lucas.....	Bissett.....	Aug. 20, 1952
British Columbia.....	J. C. Grant.....	Winnipeg.....	Oct. 1, 1945
Canada (in Ontario).....	W. D. Lawrence.....	Winnipeg.....	Sept. 13, 1940
Chile.....	N. J. Black.....	Winnipeg.....	May 13, 1920
Colombia.....	A. S. McCann.....	Winnipeg.....	Apr. 29, 1949
Colorado.....	K. R. Kennedy.....	Winnipeg.....	Mar. 5, 1938
Connecticut.....	N. C. Law.....	Winnipeg.....	Jan. 26, 1954
Costa Rica.....	J. D. Lloyd.....	Emerson.....	Feb. 7, 1949
Cuba.....	W. P. White.....	Winnipeg.....	Mar. 16, 1954
Delaware.....	J. G. Wiechman.....	Treherne.....	Mar. 18, 1952
Denmark.....	W. C. Birt.....	Winnipeg.....	Oct. 1, 1951
District of Columbia.....	A. C. Cabel.....	Winnipeg.....	Aug. 5, 1949
Ecuador.....	S. W. Robertson.....	Winnipeg.....	Apr. 26, 1946
England.....	M. S. Donovan.....	Brandon.....	Feb. 3, 1954
Florida.....	S. Hart Green.....	Winnipeg.....	Apr. 30, 1945
France, N.G.L.....	Chas. Midwinter.....	Winnipeg.....	Mar. 3, 1937
France, G.L.....			
Guatemala.....	Robert Wood.....	Minnedosa.....	Jan. 12, 1951
Georgia.....	W. A. Prugh.....	Brandon.....	June 5, 1947
Honduras.....	A. G. Cowan.....	Winnipeg.....	Oct. 17, 1930
Idaho.....	S. J. Sametz.....	Winnipeg.....	Mar. 7, 1949
Illinois.....	W. R. Leslie.....	Morden.....	June 21, 1931
Indiana.....	R. E. Emmett.....	St. James.....	Apr. 3, 1944
Iowa.....	G. A. McMorran.....	Souris.....	May 28, 1953
Ireland.....	H. Coddington.....	Winnipeg.....	Oct. 14, 1950
Kansas.....	John Cuthill.....	Reston.....	Feb. 27, 1953
Kentucky.....	J. D. McKinlay.....	Winnipeg.....	May 23, 1951
Louisiana.....	Chas. E. Cole.....	Portage la Prairie.....	Feb. 28, 1938
Maine.....	W. D. Harper.....	Winnipeg.....	Jan. 19, 1937
Maryland.....	David Ferguson.....	Moosehorn.....	Nov. 5, 1945
Massachusetts.....	P. G. Hawkins.....	Winnipeg.....	Jan. 17, 1951
Mexico, York G.L.....	M. A. Nitikman.....	Winnipeg.....	May 23, 1940
Michigan.....	A. J. Sawatsky.....	Morris.....	May 23, 1949
Minnesota.....	F. H. Blythe.....	Winnipeg.....	Feb. 5, 1952
Mississippi.....	J. Reid Glenn.....	Winnipeg.....	Dec. 20, 1951
Missouri.....	T. C. Jackson.....	Winnipeg.....	Mar. 9, 1953
Montana.....	M. S. Watson.....	Deloraine.....	Feb. 26, 1941
Nebraska.....	N. Rothstein.....	Winnipeg.....	Mar. 22, 1951
Netherlands.....	W. E. Glover.....	Roland.....	May 2, 1953
Nevada.....	J. P. Mowat.....	Winnipeg.....	June 30, 1950
New Brunswick.....	R. A. McKenzie.....	Roland.....	May 16, 1949
New Hampshire.....	W. D. G. Runions.....	Winnipeg.....	Nov. 22, 1948
New Jersey.....	Dave Rothstein.....	Winnipeg.....	Feb. 20, 1953
New Mexico.....	H. B. Donnelly.....	St. Vital.....	July 10, 1937
New South Wales.....	I. Zipursky.....	Winnipeg.....	July 21, 1953
New York.....	G. A. Woodside.....	Winnipeg.....	May 14, 1932
New Zealand.....	S. Burland.....	St. Vital.....	Mar. 22, 1937
North Carolina.....	Robt. Peel.....	Miniota.....	Sept. 4, 1941
North Dakota.....	W. C. McDonald.....	Roland.....	Feb. 28, 1953
Norway.....	Walle Larsson.....	Winnipeg.....	Apr. 25, 1952
Nova Scotia.....	D. S. Woods.....	St. Norbert.....	Oct. 13, 1926
Ohio.....	A. E. Boyle.....	Winnipeg.....	June 10, 1924
Oklahoma.....	D. W. Smith.....	Portage la Prairie.....	Jan. 16, 1950
Oregon.....	J. W. Bringham.....	Winnipeg.....	Mar. 24, 1952
Panama.....	Walter Dalzell.....	Portage la Prairie.....	Jan. 10, 1951
Paraiba.....	Alex. Campbell.....	Winnipeg.....	June 15, 1946

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Philippine Islands.....	John Livesey.....	Swan River.....	May 22, 1947
Puerto Rico.....	G. V. Henderson.....	Strathclair.....	July 5, 1941
Prince Edward Island.....	F. B. Lynes.....	Crystal City.....	June 3, 1948
Quebec.....	H. T. Waters.....	Winnipeg.....	May 17, 1940
Queensland.....	G. P. Fairbairn.....	Winnipeg.....	Aug. 23, 1948
Rhode Island.....	J. R. C. Evans.....	Brandon.....	Oct. 18, 1945
Rio de Janeiro.....	H. L. Morrow.....	Melita.....	May 10, 1953
Santa Domingo.....	E. L. White.....	Winnipeg.....	
Saskatchewan.....	H. H. Gray.....	Winnipeg.....	Nov. 10, 1948
Scotland.....	Wm. Douglas.....	Winnipeg.....	Feb. 11, 1936
Sao Paulo.....	E. B. Litz.....	Rathwell.....	Aug. 20, 1951
South Australia.....	J. J. Allen.....	Winnipeg.....	Feb. 21, 1950
South Carolina.....	W. M. Frame.....	Souris.....	Mar. 27, 1953
South Dakota.....	Jas. Wardrope.....	Winnipeg.....	Apr. 10, 1945
Tasmania.....	T. L. Dodsworth.....	Winnipeg.....	July 21, 1945
Tennessee.....	J. S. MacEwing.....	Treherne.....	Oct. 15, 1913
Texas.....	H. G. Kilpatrick.....	Winnipeg.....	Feb. 14, 1941
Utah.....	D. MacDonald.....	Ninette.....	May 24, 1941
Vermont.....	F. K. Purdie.....	Griswold.....	May 13, 1932
Victoria.....	A. R. Dick.....	W. Kildonan.....	Apr. 8, 1953
Virginia.....	Clarence Hyde.....	Portage la Prairie.....	Nov 25, 1948
Washington.....	G. R. Mackay.....	Winnipeg.....	May 20, 1929
West Virginia.....	B. S. Parker.....	Winnipeg.....	May 10, 1954
Western Australia.....	J. B. McClure.....	St. Vital.....	Sept. 17, 1948
Wisconsin.....	N. M. Hall.....	Winnipeg.....	May 7, 1945

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1	Prince Rupert's.....	Winnipeg.....	Nov. 21, 1870	Dec. 10, 1870	July 13, 1871 April 13, 1877	Under the Grand Lodge of Canada as No. 240, Transferred to Grand Lodge of Manitoba as Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1.
2	"Lodge Manitoba," Lisgar.....	Lower Ft. Garry, Selkirk.....	Jan. 4, 1871	Feb. 20, 1871	Nov. 6, 1871 April 30, 1877	Under the Grand Lodge of Canada as No. 244, Transferred to Grand Lodge of Manitoba as Lisgar Lodge No. 2.
3	Ancient Landmark.....	Winnipeg.....	Sept. 19, 1872	Sept. 19, 1872	July 9, 1873 April 13, 1877	Under the Grand Lodge of Canada as No. 288, Transferred to Grand Lodge of Manitoba as Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3.
4	St. John's.....	Winnipeg.....	July 6, 1875	July 7, 1875	June 14, 1876	Charter surrendered June 13, 1890.
5	Hiram.....	Kildonan.....	Oct. 11, 1875	Oct. 12, 1875	June 14, 1876	
6	Emerson.....	Emerson.....	July 24, 1876	July 29, 1876	June 14, 1877	
7	Assiniboine.....	Portage la Prairie.....	Feb. 5, 1878	Feb. 19, 1878	June 12, 1878	Charter arrested August, 1883. Charter returned Feb., 1885. Charter arrested Dec. 16, 1931.
8	King Solomon.....	Morris.....	No dispensation	Jan. 10, 1879	Feb. 20, 1879	
9	Oakland.....	Carman.....	No dispensation		Jan. 22, 1879 Feb. 16, 1885	
10	Northern Light.....	Winnipeg.....	No dispensation	July 30, 1879	June 20, 1879	Moved from Nelsonville to Morden, 1885.
11	Gladstone.....	Gladstone.....	Jan. 14, 1879 Renewed— Oct. 6, 1879 Cont. to— Mar. 29, 1880		Oct. 1, 1880	
12	Stonewall.....	Stonewall.....	April 15, 1880	April 20, 1880	Feb. 10, 1881	
13	Belmont.....	Nelsonville.....	Sept. 9, 1880	Sept. 13, 1880	Feb. 10, 1881	Under the Grand Lodge of Canada as No. 381, Transferred to Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Transferred to Grand Lodge of Sask. on its formation, August 9th, 1906, as Kinistino Lodge No. 1.
14	Prince of Wales.....	Minnedosa.....	Nov. 18, 1880	Dec. 20, 1880	Feb. 10, 1881	
15	Corinthian.....	Rapid City.....	Jan. 10, 1881		Feb. 6, 1881	
16	Kinistino.....	Prince Albert, Sask.....	July 14, 1880		July 16, 1883	

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17	Saskatchewan.....	Edmonton, Alta.....	Jan. 12, 1882 Cont. to Feb. 10, 1882.	Feb. 13, 1882	Feb. 16, 1883	Charter surrendered Feb. 13, 1889.
18	Al. Mogreb, Al Aksa..	Tangier, Morocco.....	Jan. 7, 1882 Cont. to Feb. 10, 1882.	Feb. 27, 1882	July 28, 1881 Feb. 16, 1883	Charter forfeited June 11, 1890.
19	Brandon.....	Pilot Mound.....	Jan. 25, 1882 Cont. to Feb. 10, 1882.	Feb. 27, 1882	Feb. 16, 1883	Charter forfeited June 11, 1891.
20	Pembina.....	Portage la Prairie.....	Feb. 27, 1882 Sept. 17, 1953 June 8, 1882	Mar. 9, 1882 Oct. 20, 1953	Feb. 16, 1883 June 2, 1954 July 16, 1883	Consolidated with Assiniboine No. 7 June 24, 1889. Severed connections with Grand Lodge of Manitoba when the Privy Council proclaimed Rat Portage in Ontario. on April 6, 1887 and united with Grand Lodge of Canada as Pequonga Lodge No. 414.
21	Marquette.....	Rat Portage.....	Feb. 24, 1883	Feb. 14, 1884	Feb. 14, 1884	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba on formation of Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan as Wascana Lodge No. 2.
22	Pequonga.....	Regina..... Assiniboia	Mar. 7, 1883 May 26, 1883 Sept. 24, 1883	June 1, 1883 Oct. 9, 1883	Feb. 14, 1884 Feb. 14, 1884 Feb. 14, 1884	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba on formation of Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan as Moose Jaw Lodge No. 3.
23	Wascana.....	Neepawa..... Winnipeg..... Moose Jaw.....	Dec. 24, 1883 Jan. 10, 1884	Feb. 4, 1884 Jan. 28, 1884	Feb. 14, 1884 Feb. 14, 1884	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba on formation of Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan as Moose Jaw Lodge No. 3.
24	Neepawa.....	Souris.....	April 2, 1884 April 10, 1884 June 16, 1885 Renewed— Mar. 12, 1886	June 16, 1884 Sept. 1, 1885	Feb. 12, 1885 Feb. 12, 1885 Feb. 12, 1887	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba on formation of the Grand Lodge of Alberta as Medicine Hat Lodge No. 2.
25	Ionic.....	Calgary, N.W.T.....				
26	Moose Jaw.....	Carberry..... Manitou..... Medicine Hat..... Assiniboia.....				
27	Glenwood.....					
28	Bow River.....					
29	Carberry.....					
30	Manitou.....					
31	Medicine Hat.....					

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32	Qu'Appelle Valley.....	Fort Qu'Appelle Assinibola.....	Feb. 24, 1886	May 4, 1886	Feb. 12, 1887	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and became a member of Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906 as Qu'Appelle Valley Lodge No. 4.
33	Indian Head.....	Indian Head, Assinibola.....	April 3, 1886	June 2, 1886	Feb. 12, 1887	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and became a member of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906, as Indian Head Lodge No. 5.
34	Qu'Appelle.....	Qu'Appelle Station Assinibola.....	April 12, 1886	April 28, 1886	Feb. 12, 1887	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and became a member of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906, as Qu'Appelle Lodge No. 6.
35	Moosomin.....	Moosomin, Assinibola.....	April 21, 1886	May 5, 1886	Feb. 12, 1887	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and became a member of Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906 as Moosomin Lodge No. 7.
36 37	Doric..... Alberta.....	Boissevain Macleod, Alta.....	May 26, 1886 May 27, 1886	June 30, 1886 Aug. 3, 1886	Feb. 12, 1887 Feb. 12, 1887	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and became a member of Grand Lodge of Alberta as Alberta Lodge No. 3.
38	Battle.....	Battleford, Sask.....	June 18, 1884 June 26, 1886 Cont. to	July 27, 1886	Feb. 12, 1887	Charter surrendered, 1901.
39 40 41	Birtle..... Deloraine..... North Star.....	Birtle..... Deloraine..... Lethbridge, Alta.....	Feb. 16, 1887 Jan. 22, 1887 June 10, 1887 Mar. 13, 1888	Mar. 8, 1887 April 16, 1888	Feb. 9, 1888 Feb. 9, 1888 Feb. 14, 1889	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alta., Oct. 12, 1905.
42	Cascade.....	Anthraccite, Alta.....	April 5, 1888	May 25, 1888	Feb. 14, 1889	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alta., Oct. 12, 1905.

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43	Lebanon.....	Viriden.....	Jan. 25, 1889	Feb. 19, 1889	June 13, 1890	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alta., Oct. 12, 1905. Charter surrendered July, 1897.
44	Oak Lake.....	Oak Lake.....	Mar. 18, 1889	May 17, 1889	June 13, 1890	
45	Spitzie.....	Pincher Creek, Alta.....	Mar. 15, 1890 Cont. to	May 1, 1890	June 12, 1891	
46	Wapananung.....	Broadview; Assiniboia.....	June 14, 1890 Mar. 15, 1890	April 21, 1890	June 12, 1891	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan Aug. 9, 1906 as Ashlar Lodge No. 8.
47	Ashlar.....	Whitewood Assiniboia.....	June 14, 1890 July 16, 1890	Oct. 21, 1890	June 12, 1891	
48	Glenboro.....	Glenboro.....	July 29, 1890	Aug. 7, 1890	June 12, 1891	
49	Temple.....	Macgregor.....	Dec. 29, 1890	Jan. 23, 1891	June 12, 1891	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alta., as Edmonton Lodge No. 7.
50	Killarney.....	Killarney.....	Mar. 26, 1891	April 27, 1891	June 10, 1892	
51	Treherne.....	Treherne.....	April 2, 1891	April 14, 1891	June 10, 1892	
52	Hartney.....	Hartney.....	Aug. 12, 1891 Cont. to	Sept. 22, 1891	June 16, 1893	
53	Edmonton.....	Edmonton.....	June 10, 1892 Oct. 20, 1892		June 16, 1893	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined new Grand Lodge of Alberta, Oct. 12, 1905.
54	Oriental.....	Melita.....	Feb. 25, 1893	Aug. 11, 1893	June 16, 1893	
55	East Star.....	Gretia.....	July 10, 1893	July 22, 1893	June 15, 1894	
56	Maple Leaf.....	Maple Creek, Alta.....	July 10, 1893		June 15, 1894	
57	Evening Star.....	Grenfell, Assiniboia.....	Oct. 10, 1893	Oct. 17, 1893	June 15, 1894	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alberta, Oct. 12, 1905. Charter lapsed.
58	Innistail.....	Innistail, Alta.....	June 14, 1894	June 21, 1894	July 14, 1895	
59	Red Deer.....	Red Deer, Alta.....	June 15, 1894 Cont. to June 10, 1896 And again to June 1, 1897	June 23, 1894	June 14, 1895	

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60	Perfection.....	Calgary, Alta.....	June 15, 1894	June 26, 1894	June 14, 1895	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alta., Oct. 12, 1905.
61	N.W. Mounted Police	Regina, Assiniboia.....	Sept. 5, 1894	Oct. 1, 1894	June 14, 1895	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan Aug. 9, 1906.
62	Russell.....	Russell.....	July 10, 1895	Aug. 13, 1895	June 10, 1896	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alberta, Oct. 12, 1905.
63	Holland.....	Holland.....	Nov. 20, 1895	Nov. 27, 1895	June 10, 1896	
64	Composite.....	Alexander.....	Feb. 17, 1896	Mar. 5, 1896	June 10, 1896	
65	Eureka.....	Lacombe, Alta.....	Aug. 27, 1896	Sept. 16, 1896	June 10, 1897	
66	Acacia.....	S. Edmonton, Alta.....	Dec. 22, 1896	Jan. 28, 1897	June 10, 1897	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alberta, Oct. 12, 1905.
67	Wawanesa.....	Wawanesa.....	June 12, 1897	July 16, 1897	June 10, 1898	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
68	Vermilion.....	Dauphin.....	Dec. 1, 1898	Dec. 20, 1898	July 15, 1899	
69	Yorkton.....	Yorkton, Assiniboia.....	Feb. 4, 1899	Feb. 15, 1899	July 15, 1899	
70	Shiloh.....	Roland.....	Mar. 1, 1899	Mar. 8, 1899	June 14, 1900	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
71	Crystal.....	Crystal City.....	Mar. 28, 1899	April 3, 1899	June 14, 1900	
72	Duck Lake.....	Duck Lake, Sask.....	July 27, 1899	Aug. 23, 1899	June 14, 1900	
73	Red Deer.....	Red Deer, Alta.....	July 27, 1899	Sept. 4, 1899	June 14, 1900	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alberta, Oct. 12, 1905.
74	Elkhorn.....	Elkhorn.....	July 27, 1899	Sept. 18, 1899	June 14, 1900	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alberta, Oct. 12, 1905.
75	Gothic.....	Austin.....	Jan. 20, 1900	Jan. 24, 1900	June 14, 1900	
76	Victoria.....	Fort Saskatchewan.....	June 18, 1900	Oct. 15, 1900	June 20, 1901	
77	Napinka.....	Napinka.....	June 18, 1900	July 13, 1900	June 20, 1901	

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78	Jasper.....	Edmonton, Alta.....	Aug. 8, 1900	Oct. 15, 1900	June 20, 1901	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alta., Oct. 12, 1905.
79	Yukon.....	Dawson, Y.T.....	Oct. 29, 1900	Dec. 27, 1900	June 20, 1901	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the Grand Lodge of British Columbia.
80	Sintaluta.....	Sintaluta, Assinibola.....	Feb. 4, 1902	Feb. 28, 1902	June 11, 1903	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Sask., Aug. 9, 1906.
81	White Horse.....	White Horse, Y.T.....	Mar. 5, 1902	May 5, 1902	June 11, 1903	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the Grand Lodge of British Columbia.
82	Cypress.....	Cypress River.....	April 24, 1902	May 13, 1902	June 11, 1903	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alta., Oct. 12, 1905.
83	Wetaskiwin.....	Wetaskiwin, Alta.....	Oct. 4, 1902	Oct. 4, 1902	June 12, 1903	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alta., Oct. 12, 1905.
84	Hamiota.....	Hamiota.....	Oct. 31, 1902	Nov. 25, 1902	June 12, 1903	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alta., Oct. 12, 1905.
85	Mountain View.....	Olds, Alta.....	Dec. 2, 1902	Feb. 24, 1903	June 19, 1904	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alta., Oct. 12, 1905.
86	Elgin.....	Elgin.....	June 1, 1904	Mar. 27, 1903	June 19, 1904	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
87	Rathwell.....	Rathwell.....	Jan. 3, 1903	May 5, 1903	June 19, 1904	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
88	Amity.....	Carnduff, Sask.....	April 14, 1903	May 13, 1903	June 19, 1904	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
89	Saskatchewan.....	Saskatoon, Sask.....	April 21, 1903	Feb. 24, 1904	June 15, 1905	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
90	Midlothian.....	Miami.....	Dec. 12, 1903	Mar. 7, 1904	June 15, 1905	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
91	Carlyle.....	Carlyle, Sask.....	Feb. 12, 1904	May 5, 1904	June 19, 1905	

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92	Shoal Lake	Shoal Lake	July 17, 1904	Sept. 7, 1904	June 15, 1905	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
93	King Edward	Winnipeg	Sept. 7, 1904	Sept. 12, 1904	June 15, 1905	
94	Hiram	Grand View	Sept. 27, 1904	Nov. 15, 1904	June 15, 1905	
95	Melfort	Melfort, Sask.	Jan. 28, 1905	Feb. 7, 1905	June 15, 1905	
96	Battle	Battleford, Sask.	Nov. 15, 1904	Nov. 29, 1904	June 15, 1905	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
97	Nanton	Nanton, Alta.	Sept. 27, 1904	Nov. 22, 1904	June 15, 1905	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
98	Britannia	Ponoka, Alta.	Dec. 12, 1904	Dec. 31, 1904	June 15, 1905	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alberta, Oct. 12, 1905.
99	Lauder	Lauder	Feb. 9, 1905	Feb. 24, 1905	June 13, 1906	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
100	Robbie Burns	Gilbert Plains	Feb. 16, 1905	Mar. 9, 1905	June 13, 1906	
101	Binscarth	Binscarth	April 18, 1905	April 27, 1905	June 13, 1906	
102	Minota	Minota	Dec. 6, 1905	Jan. 8, 1906	June 13, 1906	
103	Weyburn	Weyburn, Sask.	May 9, 1905	June 6, 1905	June 13, 1906	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
104	Arcola	Arcola, Sask.	July 18, 1905	Aug. 17, 1905	June 13, 1906	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
	Estevan	Estevan, Sask.	Sept. 26, 1905 Cont. 1 year	Oct. 13, 1905		Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.

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105	Rosthern.....	Rosthern, Sask.....	Oct. 30, 1905	Jan. 6, 1906	June 13, 1906	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
106	Britannia.....	Lloydminster, Alta.....	Oct. 30, 1905	Dec. 16, 1905	June 13, 1906	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined new Grand Lodge of Alberta, Oct. 12, 1905.
107	Wolseley.....	Wolseley, Sask.....	Nov. 27, 1905	Jan. 25, 1906	June 13, 1906	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
	Alameda.....	Alameda, Sask.....	Jan. 19, 1906	Mar. 13, 1906		
	Hanley.....	Hanley, Sask.....	Mar. 5, 1906	April 5, 1906		
	Swift Current.....	Swift Current, Sask.....	June 18, 1906	July 12, 1906		
	Heward.....	Heward, Sask.....	June 19, 1906	July 27, 1906		
103	Crescent.....	Elm Creek.....	Feb. 22, 1906	Mar. 13, 1906	June 13, 1907	
104	Reston.....	Reston.....	June 18, 1906	July 6, 1906	June 13, 1907	
105	Prince Arthur.....	Swan River.....	May 18, 1906	June 1, 1906	June 13, 1907	
106	Strathclair.....	Strathclair.....	Oct. 19, 1906	Nov. 29, 1906	June 13, 1907	
107	Lansdowne.....	Griswold.....	Mar. 1, 1906	May 9, 1906	June 10, 1908	
108	Union.....	Brookdale.....	Cont. 1 year			
109	Swan Lake.....	Swan Lake.....	July 8, 1907	July 26, 1907	June 10, 1908	
110	Kilwinning.....	Minto.....	Nov. 28, 1907	Jan. 8, 1908	June 10, 1908	
111	Acacia.....	Elmwood.....	Aug. 22, 1908	Oct. 5, 1908	June 10, 1909	
112	Opbir.....	Beausejour.....	Feb. 4, 1909	Feb. 25, 1909	June 9, 1910	
113	Tréed.....	Brandon.....	Mar. 2, 1909	Mar. 30, 1909	June 9, 1910	
114	"The Assiniboine".....	Winnipeg.....	Mar. 13, 1909	April 7, 1909	June 9, 1910	
115	Rivers.....	Rivers.....	May 20, 1909	Sept. 29, 1909	June 9, 1910	
116	St. Andrew's.....	Wellwood.....	Aug. 13, 1909	Mar. 15, 1910	June 13, 1911	
117	Strathcona.....	Belmont.....	Jan. 25, 1910	May 10, 1910	June 13, 1911	
118	Mound.....	Pilot Mound.....	April 15, 1910	Aug. 26, 1910	June 13, 1911	
119	Norwood.....	Norwood.....	July 15, 1910	Dec. 10, 1910	June 13, 1911	
120	Penza.....	Dominion City.....	Nov. 19, 1910	April 7, 1911	June 12, 1912	
			Mar. 23, 1911			Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan formed Aug. 9, 1906.

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121	St. James	St. James	Feb. 19, 1912	Mar. 11, 1912	June 12, 1913	
122	Roblin	Roblin	July 22, 1912	Sept. 16, 1912	June 12, 1913	
123	Transcona	Transcona	April 9, 1914	April 24, 1914	June 10, 1915	
124	The Pas	The Pas	April 23, 1914	May 21, 1914	June 10, 1915	
125	Patricia	Sperling	July 28, 1915	Nov. 4, 1915	June 15, 1916	
126	Favel	Minitonas	Nov. 30, 1915	Jan. 12, 1917	June 13, 1918	
127	Empire	Winnipeg	April 11, 1918	April 26, 1918	June 10, 1919	
128	Victory	Benito	May 27, 1920	June 2, 1920	June 15, 1922	
129	Shellmouth	Shellmouth	Sept. 24, 1920	Oct. 28, 1920	June 15, 1922	
130	Fort Garry	Winnipeg	Dec. 1, 1920	Dec. 6, 1920	June 15, 1922	Charter surrendered June 6, 1945.
131	Kildonan	East Kildonan	Dec. 10, 1920	Dec. 16, 1920	June 15, 1922	
132	Sprague	Sprague	Dec. 10, 1920	Jan. 17, 1921	June 15, 1922	
133	McCreary	McCreary	Feb. 19, 1921	Mar. 31, 1921	June 14, 1922	
134	Stony Mountain	Stony Mountain	July 25, 1921	Aug. 4, 1921	June 14, 1922	
135	Concord	Myrtle	Sept. 1, 1921	Oct. 8, 1921	June 14, 1922	Analgamated with Shiloh Lodge No. 70, Dec. 8, 1938.
136	Capitol	Winnipeg	Nov. 1, 1921	Nov. 4, 1921	June 14, 1922	
137	Lord Selkirk	Winnipeg	Nov. 14, 1921	Nov. 18, 1921	June 14, 1922	
138	Windsor	St. Vital	Mar. 2, 1922	Mar. 28, 1922	June 11, 1923	
139	Beaver	Winnipeg	May 10, 1922	May 11, 1922	June 11, 1923	
140	Meridian	Winnipeg	Sept. 28, 1922	Oct. 19, 1922	June 11, 1923	
141	Tuscan	Winnipeg	May 9, 1923	May 11, 1923	June 11, 1924	
142	Harmony	Cardale	May 14, 1923	June 8, 1923	June 11, 1924	
143	Mt. Sinai	Winnipeg	June 15, 1923	July 5, 1923	June 11, 1924	
144	Port Osborne	Winnipeg	Dec. 18, 1923	Dec. 19, 1923	June 11, 1924	
145	Sturgeon Creek	Sturgeon Creek	Jan. 3, 1924	Jan. 7, 1924	June 11, 1924	
146	Fidelity	Winnipeg	Feb. 16, 1924	Feb. 20, 1924	June 10, 1925	
147	Jubilee	Boysman	Dec. 13, 1924	Feb. 13, 1925	June 9, 1926	
148	Seven Oaks	West Kildonan	May 12, 1925	May 15, 1925	June 9, 1926	
149	Waskada	Waskada	July 3, 1926	July 26, 1926	June 5, 1927	Analgamated with Deloraine Lodge No. 40, June 9, 1938.
150	Cartwright	Cartwright	July 6, 1926	Aug. 5, 1926	June 5, 1927	
151	The Dormer	East Kildonan	Dec. 14, 1926	Dec. 15, 1926	June 5, 1927	
152	Foxwarren	Foxwarren	June 8, 1929	Aug. 8, 1929	June 12, 1930	
153	Flin Flon	Flin Flon	June 24, 1929	Oct. 16, 1929	June 12, 1930	

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154	Pine Falls.....	Pine Falls.....	Mar. 1, 1930	Mar. 20, 1930	June 11, 1931	
155	Carman.....	Carman.....	Sept. 6, 1933	Sept. 7, 1933	June 13, 1934	
156	Manitouwapa.....	Moosehorn.....	Mar. 1, 1939	May 12, 1939	June 5, 1940	
157	Rice Lake.....	Bissett.....	May 13, 1947	July 5, 1947	June 2, 1948	
158	Fenwick.....	Brandon.....	Oct. 1, 1947	Oct. 24, 1947	June 2, 1948	
159	Newdale.....	Newdale.....	Dec. 1, 1947	Dec. 4, 1947	June 2, 1948	
160	Starbuck.....	Starbuck.....	Feb. 20, 1950	Aug. 16, 1950	June 14, 1951	
161	Fort Prince of Wales.....	Churchill.....	Mar. 20, 1950	Sept. 27, 1950	June 14, 1951	
162	Ashlar.....	Norwood.....	May 8, 1950	Sept. 22, 1950	June 14, 1951	
163	Charleswood.....	Charleswood.....	June 20, 1950	Sept. 20, 1950	June 14, 1951	
164	Harry Woods.....	Lundar.....	Jan. 9, 1952	Jan. 11, 1952	June 4, 1952	
165	Friendship.....	Fort Garry.....	April 1, 1952	April 3, 1952	June 3, 1953	
166	Woodworth.....	Kenton.....	April 1, 1952	May 6, 1952	June 3, 1953	
167	Menorah.....	Winnipeg.....	Jan. 19, 1954	Jan. 20, 1954	June 2, 1954	

MASONIC REVIEWS 1953-1954

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

HUGH M. KERR

Chairman

The following reviews cover
all Grand Lodge Proceedings received
to June 1st, 1954

ALBERTA, Grand Master, 1953

MEMBERSHIP

We have a great Province, rich in fertile soil and abundant in mineral and petroleum resources; our population is rapidly increasing and we have a great problem assimilating the newcomers, helping them to be happy amongst us. Many of them are Freemasons and we should go out of our way to make them feel welcome, once we are satisfied of their belonging. Other new settlers are young and have not yet sought admission to our ranks and this is where our good example will have a lasting impression if we try to practice outside of the Lodge the great moral precepts which are ever inculcated within it, letting them see that having been admitted we are as men set apart and dedicated to the service of God and the good of mankind. In other words if we let the world see how Freemasons love one another and what a deep personal interest they have in the rest of mankind, being kind and helpful at home, enthusiastic and zealous in all matters pertaining to the good of the community, we will attract good men to our brotherhood and thus build up good loyal citizens as a substantial bulwark against the "isms" and subversive ideologies which have become rampart in this beloved country of ours of late. To me it is a gratifying thing that we have on the North American continent approximately three and one-half million Freemasons who have indicated a general desire for knowledge and a sincere wish to become more extensively serviceable to their fellow creatures, without any thought of mercenary or other unworthy motives. I think it must be a comforting thought to many of our statesmen to know that they have a stabilizing force to prevent the ship of state from being wrecked.

GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA

Last week I was privileged to attend the Seventy-Eighth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, which was clouded by the inability of the Grand Master-elect, R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray, to be present for installation through illness, he being hospitalized for a month or six weeks through a coronary attack which occurred one week before. He had laid plans on the trestle-board of the greater part of his year of office and it was nice to see how the P.G.M.'s and Officers have rallied to try and carry them out.

The highlights in addition to the address by the M.W. Grand Master were addresses from the Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. H. L. Newton; Bro. Rev. Dr. W. G. Martin, who

spoke at the lunch tendered to guests and brethren from outside the Winnipeg area by the Lodges located in Winnipeg; M.W. Bro. William Douglas, who gave another of his thrilling talks on Manitoba history, which chiefly consisted of the personal diary of Capt. J. Rogers of a trip from Brandon House to a hunting camp in a blizzard in the depth of winter in the year 1816 and of the teeming thousands of buffalo which roamed the prairie at that time. Capt. Rogers was one of the victims in the Seven Oaks massacre. M.W. Bro. Douglas wrote a history of the first 75 years of the existence of Grand Lodge of Manitoba and I can highly recommend it for good reading.

During the year I have endeavored to impress upon the brethren their duty to make a practical application of the moral and spiritual principles of Freemasonry both inside the Lodge and through example for the benefit of all mankind.

We are beset by so many and so great dangers and by wars and rumors of wars; humanity is in a mental dread of becoming involved in war and our nation is taking part in a project for the defence of the principles of the United Nations. Immense sums of money are being spent on guns, planes, tanks and battleships and the blood of our youth is being shed once more in a cause against might as opposed to right and we honor those who are carrying the torch of freedom high. The great hope of peace lies however in the practice of the high Masonic ideals of brotherly love which will embrace all men of all races and nationalities with the idea of establishing universal brotherhood among men.

It has been my object to remind the brethren of their duty to practice outside of the Lodge the great moral principles which are ever inculcated within it, and to realize that there is no place in Freemasonry for idleness because there is always something to do. I will close with a poem from the pen of one of our immortal poets who was also a Freemason by the name of Goethe:

"Lose this day loitering, 'twill be the same story
Tomorrow, and the more dilatory.
Thus indecision brings its own delays,
And days are lost tormenting over days.
Are you earnest? Seize this very minute;
What can you do, or dream you can, begin it.
Boldness hath genius, power and magic in it;
Only engage, then the mind grows heated,
Begin, and then the work will be completed."

COLORADO, Grand Master, 1952.

CLANDESTINE MASONRY

In 1949, a court action was instituted by the then Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother S. Stuart Krebs, to restrain a group of so-called Masons from operating under the title "Ivanhoe Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M.". Through the able services of Brother Clarence L. Bartholic, we received a favorable decision in the District Court. The defendants then took an appeal to the Supreme Court. During this month, the decision of the lower court was reversed on a technicality which still protects our right to renew the ligation if we deem it advisable. I leave to my successor the decision as to what further steps, if any, should be taken. Our deep appreciation is extended to Brother Bartholic for his devoted and untiring efforts in the conduct of this case.

Such is the record of the past year. We recount it only that we may gain a better understanding of the needs of the hour and inspiration for the days ahead. What is our ultimate objective here and in our lodges? In his "Republic," Plato is asked, "Will the heavenly city ever be realized on earth?" Plato's reply should never be forgotten by Masons. "We must turn our eyes up to behold the eternal archetype and then down to observe and influence the affairs of men."

This is indeed our task. We are apt to overlook its urgency. Let us consider what would happen if for one or two generations, we failed to transmit the teachings of the ages to our children and our children's children. In the closing days of the Roman Empire, under pressure from without and trouble from within, fathers failed to instruct their sons in the old Roman way, schools were allowed to close, learning was neglected. In two or three generations, the Roman world passed into the Dark Ages.

We may well ask what would happen to this body if, each year, our subordinate lodges did not send out a new group of enlightened and far-seeing Masons to take the place of those whose term has ended. Only about one-fifth of the voting members of this Grand Lodge were voting members at the Annual Communication in 1949, just three years ago.

And so we come together here and assemble in our lodges to gain a clearer picture of the eternal archetype, to light again the torch of faith, to catch again the vision that makes for strength and brotherhood, in order that out of our lodges

will come a continuous stream of worthy successors to our Patrons and Grand Masters of old to give permanency to this Grand Lodge, to keep strong the foundations of our ceremony, and to help carry the torch of freedom throughout the world.

OTHER THINGS TO CONSIDER!

Perhaps, too we might do well to protect our members from the blandishments of the "appendant" and other bodies and require members to refrain from joining them until, at least, they have had a reasonable time to assimilate their lectures and prove their proficiency in our Masonic Lore. As it is, entirely too many of our members join our Lodges only with the objective of hastening to become enrolled in other organizations that require membership in Masonry as a prerequisite to membership in theirs. In common with a growing number of Grand Masters, I clearly see that these eighty or more organizations, including fifteen for female relatives of Masons, are bleeding Masonry white, and almost without exception, hold and inculcate doctrines which are opposed to the tenets of Masonry. The Temple our predecessors laid the foundation of and planned so well is being neglected and left to the destructive elements, while it is being surrounded by nondescript structures built on stones taken from our Masonic Foundations, but not built on the plans laid down on our Masonic Trestle Board! In some jurisdictions, many even of the recognized "appendant" bodies are either avowedly, or in practice, Sectarian and even denominational, and we see and hear thousands of Masons led astray with utterly Unmasonic Doctrine. The answer to all this sort of disrupting procedure is, of course, the dissemination of the right KIND of Masonic Information or Education, and as we in Connecticut have not, in the memory of living Masons, had any really decisive Grand Lodge controlled system of Instruction or Education, we not only have just about 45,000 uninstructed Masons, but worse, this lack of systematic Instruction has produced no teachers who are trained to instruct others. We see, as I have seen more than once, a speaker introduced who speaks before some body of our members and, instead of instructing, leads them further astray. I witnessed a flagrant case of this recently and, while I know I hurt some feelings, I make no apology for speaking with what persuasive powers I could command to counteract the damage done. We do not send our children to be instructed by people who cannot read and write themselves. We demand trained instructors. Ask any member of our present

Committee on Education how big a list of really competent "lecturers" and Masonic "Instructors" we can recommend who we are sure will speak truths and not error. Facts and not things of their untrained imagination—and sound fundamental Masonic philosophy and not just BUNK. We have too much Bunk as it is—rather, we need to de-bunk Masonry.

The first thing a Mason should learn is that Masonry is not a religion or a substitute for religion, and that Masons have no right even to inquire as to a candidate's religion, other than his belief in monotheism, and that a Lodge is no substitute for a Church. Masonry is a system of philosophy. A Mason must learn that Masonry is not a society for political parties or for political expressions, either local, state, national or international. And again, the Lodge is not, and must not be allowed to be even suspected as a place where these controversial matters are even discussed.

Again, Masonry does not attempt to unite nations—it unites MEN. Masonry does not attempt to unite religion—it unites MEN. Masonry does not attempt to unite women nor to unite men and women, but to repeat and reiterate, Masonry is the common ground where MEN of every race and nation—where MEN of every sect and creed—where MEN of every shade of religious belief and of every political opinion can meet and be united in one Brotherhood, under one God, and in one natural religion in which they all agree and yet still retain their national and racial characters and their individual religious and political beliefs. Thus, as says the Anderson Constitution of 1717, can we "unite men who otherwise must remain at a perpetual distance."

If men wish to foregather and work for their ideas and convictions with men whose religious and political beliefs coincide closely with their own, there is a wide field for their activities and they conceivably may do much good in the world in proselyting and even fighting for their convictions, either political, religious or both. But a Masonic Lodge is not their proper sphere for such activity. The strength of Masonry is its nonpolitical and nonsectarian character, and anyone who tries to Christianize Masonry, as did Dermot early in the 18th Century, or as many still try to do, no matter with what good intentions, does Masonry a disservice.

Masonry has been and is accused of being a front for political dissention and rebellion. Masonry has been and is accused of being in competition with organized religion. Insofar as these accusations are true—AND THEY ARE

TRUE IN VARYING MEASURE and in various locations—insomuch as Masonry has departed from its straight and narrow path, it invites, as it is getting, in some places, persecution—political and religious. We should give no cause for such criticism or enmity.

There are, by recent census, 236 Christian sects alone, classified and recognized in the United States. Masonry has no remote interest in forming another. We have well organized political parties in our country. They furnish broad enough fields for all political activities. I certainly see no reason for Masonry invading the field of either, but see far-reaching and fundamental reasons, based on past experience and sound common sense today, for NOT doing so. Certainly good Masons are patriotic and certainly all Masons are religious—and always, almost of necessity, have been and are so—and this attitude is one of our Landmarks and is our GREAT STRENGTH

In 1813 at the union of the Ancients and Moderns, a new book of constitutions proclaimed to all the world the non-sectarian character of Masonry in these words: "Let a man's religion or mode of worship be what it may, he is not excluded from the Order PROVIDED he believes in the Glorious Architect of Heaven and Earth and practices the Sacred Duties of Morality." We should recognize our real strength and correct our weaknesses, and go forward and continue to build our Spiritual Structure on the plans laid down for us on our Masonic Trestle Board—and not to be distracted by all sorts of non-Masonic ideas and practices.

ENGLAND, Grand Master, 1953.

The M.W. the Grand Master (Bro. the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Scarborough, K.G., G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., T.D.): Brethren before we proceed with the business on the Agenda, there is one matter of great importance to the Craft to which I would like to make reference. You, brethren, and indeed the whole of the Craft, will have seen with the greatest satisfaction that on December 5th last, two days after our last Quarterly Communication, His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh was initiated in the Navy Lodge No. 2612. I know, brethren, that you will all follow the future progress of His Royal Highness in the Craft with the closest attention and interest, and that, having in mind the long connection which has existed between the Royal House and the United

Grand Lodge of England, you welcome with enthusiasm this happy continuation of that honored and treasured association. (Loud applause.)

GEORGIA, Grand Master, 1952.

In travelling over the state I have met with uniform courtesy and have been accorded all the honors due this high office. There has been some bitter with the sweet. We still have members who were never Masons in their hearts, those who would violate the laws of Masonry, and of the State and still retain their membership. This they cannot do, hence the necessity for trials and for an Appeals and Grievances Committee. Here may I stress the importance of the investigating committee, also the ballot. At times I think we have been a little too lax. However, Freemasonry has so much to offer our young men that I can understand the reluctance of many to judge too harshly. I have seen the wonderful lessons of Freemasonry prove so beneficial.

With the vast increase in numbers, some 46,000 in the past 10 years, we have been prone to make Masons on the assembly line. To my mind, Freemasonry is strictly individualistic. Assembly line tactics lose that individuality.

My brothers, it has been my observation that we have too many 2 percent, 10 percent and 15 percent Masons. Those who have only gotten that percentage of the deeper inner meaning of the degrees. May I urge you to return to your respective Lodges with the determination to teach the members that the degrees are sublime and should be conferred with beauty, dignity and reverence. Only then will we find that our suspensions will be lowered.

My brethren, I firmly believe, that next to God's Church, Freemasonry is the strongest moral force in America today, but each individual Mason is part and parcel of that force. Someone has said that none of us know the exact role assigned to each of us by the Grand Master of the Universe, but this we do know—that if we fail to play out our part, just that much of God's eternal plan will go undone.

Let me appeal to you, my brothers, to assume your responsibilities as Master Masons and American citizens. In these uncertain times your state and nation need you. Make strong that moral force. Exercise your franchise. Back your public school system. Be on guard against

subversive elements and those who would destroy our way of life, be they political, militaristic, or ecclesiastical. My brothers—it may be later than you think.

GEORGIA, Grand Master, 1953.

There are now on the books of the Grand Secretary approximately 90,000 men; many of our Lodges have taken in candidates in large numbers and the proper investigation is not being made as it has been proven that we have taken numbers of men into the fraternity that should never have been permitted to become members. Candidates are being rushed through the first three degrees and into the "appendant Orders" and are not properly instructed in the meaning of the first three degrees. We should always remember that the Blue Lodge is the foundation upon which the fraternity is built and the foundation "should be strongly laid." Solicitation for membership in the "appendant Orders" should not be permitted in the preparation room and I believe that there should be a waiting period of at least six months before a Master Mason can petition for the additional degrees.

Many secretaries having been permitted to wait until after the conferring of degrees before requesting a dispensation for the number of candidates over five are taking advantage of this privilege and are now requesting dispensations for all unusual circumstances after having done the work or performed the act and this practice should be stopped.

The Writing Test in the Entered Apprentice Degree in many sections of the State has developed into "persecution" instead of prosecution and it is my opinion that this section should be conducted by the Master alone. In most States this test has been eliminated.

The Liquor Law continues to give the greatest trouble by its continued disregard. Men in the liquor business are still members of the Order and men are being taken into the fraternity who are engaged in selling beer, wine or liquor at the time of presenting their petitions; some go into the business knowing that it is contrary to Masonic Law and when these men are ordered to trial they are acquitted. Most men think that the Liquor Law was placed on the books during the Prohibition Era but such is not the case. The law has been on the books for many years, and there is a similar law on the books of the majority of the other Grand Jurisdictions.

My brethren, we have a wonderful opportunity as Masons to make the conditions in this State of ours more nearly as we would wish them by carrying into our daily lives the principles that are taught in the several Masonic degrees and not being indifferent and apathetic to the things that are for the best interests of our families, our friends and ourselves.

KANSAS, Grand Master, 1953.

The Masonic Fraternity is composed of men in all walks of life. It has no master head but God, and no wordly allegiance but country. It is free from all orthodox entanglements, and within its ranks there is no bigotry nor creed. It excludes no man of character and holds no brief against those who do not belong to the Order. Its institutions are based upon the Cardinal Virtues and its affairs are conducted upon a high Constitutional plane. It believes every man to be innocent until he is proven guilty and holds its own members more strictly accountable than those who do not wear its insignia.

The Fatherhood of God, the Brotherhood of Man, the Moral Law, and the hope of a Life Eternal; out of this simple faith grows the philosophy which Freemasonry teaches.

The object of Masonry is to aid man in solving the problems of life and in attaining the glorious crown of manhood. Fundamentally, life is a spiritual enterprise. We may be surrounded by every comfort of modern science, we may have intellectual training of the highest order; but if the spirit of our life is wrong, there can never be any real success or happiness for us until our spirit is made right. The highest joys we will ever know and the deepest pains we will ever suffer will always be spiritual experiences. To lose one's sight or hearing is a very great tragedy, but to lose one's faith in life or one's confidence in himself is an even greater disaster.

The truly great possessions of life—those which make up the "abundant life"—are not houses, jewels, luxuries, fine furnishings, and vast estates; rather, they are the spiritual qualities of courage, faith, hope, charity, patience, character, and moral integrity.

These are the teachings of our Order. The mission of Masonry is to build and Masons have been builders from time immemorial. Building is our profession—it always has

been, it is now, and ever must be. We are taught to erect a Temple more durable than granite or marble—a Temple composed of living stones—a spiritual building—a house not made with hands—Eternal in the Heavens.

KENTUCKY, Grand Master, 1952.

No greater honor can be conferred upon a Master Mason than to be selected by his Brother Masons to serve as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, Free and Accepted Masons.

This has been mine for the past year and the time has arrived for me to give an account to the Craft of my stewardship. Had I not learned many years ago to put my trust in God, I might have shrunk from the weighty problems and duties that a Grand Master meets face to face. God being my helper I have done my best to serve the Craft to the best of my ability, always keeping in sight "The Book" the rule and guide of our faith. My mistakes have probably been numerous, but I assure the Craft they were of the Carnal mind that is man and not from my heart and soul.

Masonry was intended to be a blessing to mankind. Have we made it so? Have we served with that fervency and zeal that should actuate all true Masons?

Acts of Charity bring their own reward. A happy smile, a cheerful word or hearty handshake bring a warmth of sunshine, and stir affection of the heart, not only of the recipient, but also the giver.

We pass this way but once. Riches may be made and lost. Man lies down and is forgotten, but the monument of kindly deeds, devoted service and cheerful disposition built in the hearts of men not only lives throughout all time, but is a kindly monument that may be had by the humblest subject.

May it be your pleasure to erect such a monument. May we live to see the day when Masonry will be enshrined in the hearts of all men, and we, as brothers go marching on in an irresistible tide that shall sweep into oblivion all envy and discord. Crowning our lives with the blissful knowledge that we have done our best to make this old war-torn world of ours a better place in which to live, filling our hearts with the tender recollections of the good we have done, and dying with

the satisfaction of knowing that we, like Paul of old, have fought a good fight, kept the faith and are only passing on to that land where love is supreme and the noontide of happiness forever shines.

Brethren, my sole concern is that we, as Masons, shall strive to be on the outside with our aprons off, what we profess to be inside with our aprons on.

“Remember, Brethren, you may be the only Bible some people will ever read.”

In the words of Bro. Dave Jackson, “God Bless you, my Brother, it means so much to be a Mason.”

I'd like to think
When life is done
That I had filled a needed post,
And here and there
I'd paid my fare
With more than idle talk or boast.
That I had taken gifts divine,
The truth of life and manhood fine,
And tried to use them, now and then,
In service to my fellow men.

LOUISIANA, Grand Master, 1953.

How swiftly the sands of the year have run! Every crowded day and many of the nights have been crammed; and, every fellowship occasion with the brethren of this great Grand Jurisdiction has been aflame with lavish demonstration of respect for the office of Grand Master, and with most kindly consideration for the Grand Master himself. I shall ever be grateful for the joys which have been mine.

We, as Americans have much to be grateful for. The Great Creator has heaped upon us; Blessings of Freedom—Blessings of the corn of nourishment,—Wine of refreshment, and the Oil of joy—Blessings of all the Good things in life. With thankful hearts we praise Him who has here in this country enabled us to express our principles and uphold the Freedom and Brotherhood of man.

World conditions continue to be uncertain and confused. At home and abroad the fight by tyrants and pretenders, for power and for men's minds, is being carried on and continues unabated.

We, as Masons, through the ages, have ever championed those things which are good and right in human relations. Through the ages men of courage and of good faith have met the ever recurring challenges of their times and surmounted them. The Masons of this era certainly will not permit the challenges of our generation to go by default. We have labor to perform.

We need have no fear. The fight against oppression, immorality and the forces of evil has been mankind's greatest victory without end, from which righteousness has ever emerged stronger and more resplendent than ever. I have faith that we shall not fail or falter. When the Master of Men trod the earth, He said "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." The dictators of His day nailed Him to the cross. But the eternal verities He brought have overturned every throne, uprooted every dictator of His time. The cycles of truth are sometimes long, but they roll down the centuries with certainty and with power.

MASSACHUSETTS, Grand Master, 1952.

USE OF UNAUTHORIZED CIPHERS FORBIDDEN

I have been informed that some of the candidates, presumably with the knowledge of Lodge officers, are using what is familiarly known as the Morgan exposé of the ritual to aid them in their lecture work. Please take notice, and let it be known as widely as you can, that the use of such a work constitutes a serious Masonic offense. Upon proof of the purchase, sale, transmission or ownership of such a book on the part of a member or candidate, that member will be immediately suspended and the work halted in that candidate's progress; such action to hold until the first subsequent meeting of the Grand Lodge, when more serious penalties will be recommended. The use of any cipher or presentation of Masonic ritual not authorized by this Grand Lodge, or by a Grand Lodge with which we have fraternal relations, is absolutely forbidden.

CANDIDATES' CIPHERS

I have ordered the preparation of individual ciphers of candidates' lectures, which will be available to the candidate while learning the lecture. Each cipher must be returned before he can receive his next degree, or in the case of the

third degree, before he can sign the by-laws. In the meantime, ciphers are available for officers only.

CANDIDATE WITHOUT RIGHT TO VISIT ANOTHER LODGE

The question has been presented to me several times as to the right of a candidate to visit another Lodge and see the work on the degree he has taken. Please understand that a candidate has no such right. The right of visitation is for members only, and a candidate does not become a member until he has signed the by-laws.

PAST GRAND MASTERS' DIPLOMAS

It has been the custom of this Grand Lodge for many years to present diplomas to retiring Masters. Section 702 of the Grand Constitutions states that "The Master of any lodge under this jurisdiction, who has faithfully discharged his duties and complied with the laws of the Grand Lodge, shall, at the end of his first year, be presented by the District Deputy Grand Master with a Past Master's Diploma." The diplomas themselves state that the recipient has been "... a Light to his Brethren and an Ornament to the Craft. This testimonial of his meritorious services recommends him to the hospitality and protection due to a faithful overseer."

Very evidently the award of these diplomas was to be on the basis of merit, and not just for a year spent in the East. However, it has become automatic. The District Deputy Grand Master has presented the diploma at his official visitation in the fall. I understand that some of my Deputies have presented some of these diplomas with something less than complete enthusiasm. As a matter of fact, they have choked somewhat over even the few polite phrases that the amenities of the occasion compelled them to say. In one case, a Master who learned none of the Third Degree ritual, but had someone else do the work on that degree, was given a diploma. It would seem, therefore, that there should be some set of standards to determine a Master's right to a diploma. Such a set of standards is being prepared and will be sent to you Masters at the beginning of the year. With it will go a questionnaire covering the standards, and providing a good yardstick by which to measure the work the Master has done in his year. The Masters will probably find that they are responsible for things which they have considered the responsibility of someone else. But in the

final analysis, the Master is responsible for just about everything in the Lodge, including the correctness of the Secretary's returns and the complete payment by his Lodge of Grand Lodge dues. These diplomas that have been earned will not be presented to the Masters at the official visitation, which often comes weeks before the Master's term of office expires, but will be presented at the fraternal visit of the Deputies in the winter and spring.

Let me urge upon those of you who are Masters to guard well the work of your Lodge. Especially should you warn degree teams that the work must be done with dignity and decorum. Reports of teams that overstep the bounds of propriety will result in a denial of their right to work in any of our Lodges. The Third Degree is serious business and the Grand Lodge will not tolerate its being turned into a playground for buffoons.

I cannot complete this address at this annual communication without expressing my gratitude to all of you whose cooperation has been indispensable to the success of our work during the past year. Especially I would thank my District Deputy Grand Masters for their work in developing unity and cohesiveness in the Grand Lodge structure. It is as a family that we exist, and as a family that we must work—each for all and all for each.

We must not forget, however, that we are privileged men.

We have scaled heights of knowledge and experience denied to other men. We are those whose eyes are open to the light. We must prove ourselves servants of the light. If we claim membership in an exclusive group, an exclusive nobility, we must hear the ancient words "noblesse oblige," and prove that we have accepted the obligations of nobility. As we demonstrate here today our concern for the less important things in Masonry, let us demonstrate in the world our concern for the more important things in Masonry, the proclamation of the truths inherent in our symbolism and the application of our principles in all of our activities. Because we cannot tolerate a discussion of politics and religion in our Masonic meetings does not mean that we are divorced from them. Freemasonry is no ivory tower in which a man may take refuge from the realities of a struggling world. Rather is it a moral force that through its members can be projected into the world, changing the political climate, and giving a new emphasis to the realities of religion. The race that is going on today is not between Capitalism and

Communism; it is not between totalitarianism and democracy; it is not between education and ignorance, but between brotherhood and destruction. We must live by the principles of brotherhood or face the destruction that our refusal makes imperative. As those committed to brotherhood as a program of life, let us accept the task of making it a reality.

NEBRASKA, Grand Master, 1953.

The philosophy of Freemasonry grew from faith in the Fatherhood of God, the Brotherhood of Man, the Moral Law and the hope of Life Eternal. We proudly recognize the parallel of this philosophy with that shown in the foundation of this nation. Continuity of this philosophy in government is our business. The expressed earnest desire of our new Administration to adhere to these fundamentals was deeply gratifying. So long as we stay close to these teachings our National Government and the Masonic Fraternity can face the future with confidence.

NEW BRUNSWICK, Grand Master, 1952.

All present are conversant with history now in the making—and probably realize how close disaster may be upon our civilization.

One can perhaps, understand the thoughts, or rather the ignorance of certain peoples towards our standard of liberty but to me it is incomprehensible how persons living in our free countries—enjoying all the blessings of freedom—can even think of, let alone work for the destruction of our way of living and would wish to plunge us into chaos, such as appears to be enjoyed, or rather endured, in some other countries.

It is the personal duty of every Mason to ferret out and expose all such people in our country, so that our land may be cleansed of such pestilential beings.

Our Order can only flourish in a peaceful atmosphere—although it has withstood the ravages of time and warfare. Let us seek Peace, but not at the loss of Honor.

I would say just a word about Masonic Funerals, a subject which will be touched upon here today, enough to tell us that we have a duty to perform; one which leaves a

very lasting impression upon the bereaved ones in particular. May I just say at this time, let us each make sure this great Fraternity will be held in high esteem by our acts as we remember those who have gone to that undiscovered country from which no traveller returns.

The impressive dignity of our Order has been mentioned and each of us does realize that Masonry has always been considered definitely above the average among the Fraternities and Masonry and Masons have always been favorably commented upon for their outward appearance, with proper dress. We have an outstanding heritage to maintain, progress cannot remain stationary; be sure the part you play causes advancement.

This Order, of which each of us are justly proud has stood the test of time (both fair and otherwise) over a great period of time. Our only endeavor is simply to make good men better and together enjoy that great fellowship as those who want to follow the teachings of Him who gave us "The Golden Rule."

Be very careful, My Brother, before you are party to any change taking place in our Constitution, our By-laws or our Way of Life.

The threats of war are still with us. Greed and avarice, lust and hatred appear to be paramount in the minds of men. The simple doctrine of the Prince of Peace is yet forgotten. I earnestly pray that before another year passes into history that the steadying influence of Freemasonry may be firmly implanted upon the consciences of people everywhere; that we, individually and collectively, and united as one great Fraternity for good, may exert a persistent effort to enforce the doctrine of the Brotherhood of Man and the Fatherhood of God, and thereby dispel the thought that Might must triumph over Right.

We must be constantly alert, lest the rich heritage of freedom and democracy be denied us. We must be forever proud of our citizenship in a free land, ever remembering it is our duty as citizens of Canada to exercise our right of Franchise. We must firmly oppose the introduction of any politics into Masonry, but there should be no compunction whatever in the injection of Masonry into politics. All forms of Isms are repugnant to Freemasonry save that of zealous Patriotism and true Canadianism.

In conclusion I must tell you, my year in office as your Grand Master has been most pleasant and enjoyable.

If I have achieved any measure of success, merited any accomplishments whatever, it has been due to the genuine assistance accorded to me in the true spirit of Masonic Brotherhood.

In my Masonic career, I have been guided by this bit of philosophic wisdom—"To be just, upright, sober and industrious, amenable to the law, and to faithfully discharge the duties of office, whether serving the government or affiliated with a private enterprise; together with an everlasting realization that he is a Mason, and that the Order is judged through his personal actions, stamps the man a credit to his Blue Lodge and a desirable citizen of our Great Country."

Such has been my aim and ambition throughout.

Brethren I am deeply grateful to each and all of you, of every rank and distinction in the Grand Jurisdiction of New Brunswick.

May the blessing of Heaven rest upon you and our brethren wherever located. May Brotherly love prevail and every Moral and Social Virtue Cement Us.

NEW BRUNSWICK, Grand Master, 1953.

In addressing the Craft during my visits I have tried to stress a more direct application of the underlying fundamentals of our great institution to our daily lives; to apply these fundamentals to our own acts and thoughts, so that they will reflect the Grace of He who permits us to be called by the name of Christian; I do not feel that we, unthinkingly, are allowing too many opportunities to slip by us whereby these great factors can be more fully expressed—by deed and word—and call upon all the craft to so amend the errors of omission that none can say of us in the future "He had not the greatness of character to carry out principles, he was taught."

GROWTH OF ORDER

I do feel obliged, however at this time to mention the fact that as will be noted in the report of our Grand Secretary that very many petitions for membership are constantly being received and we must be very careful to see that we are only accepting into our membership those who will make Masons—not members.

Other Jurisdictions are now in trouble on this account and now is the time to see to it that our investigation committees are properly instructed and carry out their duties accordingly.

Let me quote for your information the following statement as printed in the proceedings of the 1953 Grand Masters' Conference held in Washington, "In the State of New York we make Master Masons every year, so called, by the thousands and out of our thousands and hundred of thousands of Master Masons in the State of New York there are tens and tens of thousands of them who cannot even get into a Masonic Lodge unless they are vouched for, and yet they go around parading as Master Masons."

Large membership or large lodges should not be our ambition, but to do our part to improve man to the betterment of mankind and have more "Masonic Lodges rather than Lodges of Master Masons."

We do not wish this condition to ever exist in this jurisdiction and we should, therefore, be careful, as pointed out before, and see that no candidate is accepted or advanced too rapidly.

Dispensations have been refused seeking permission to work upon more candidates at the one time, than our Constitution allows and also seeking the right to advance candidates by shortening the stated interval between Degrees.

There are jurisdictions where at least one year must elapse between Degrees and it is now realized that this phase as well as our initiation fee must be carefully examined for possible improvement.

May it never be that we, nor our children or children's children, shall have to tear down our Masonry, to discover once again, treasures which some stupidity of carelessness, or inattention, or fancied improvement, may have lost.

EMBLEMS

I have noted on notices from Lodges that two distinct types of cuts are being used, in the printing thereof. One a square and compass without the letter "G" and a second one with the letter "G" which is not constitutional and I would suggest that necessary changes be made to make all insignia or printing cuts correct within our jurisdiction. Care must be used to see that no error is made as emblems are displayed on new buildings.

NEW ZEALAND, Board of General Purposes, 1952.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

The Board of General Purposes received, considered and adopted the following report from a Committee set up on the 27th June, 1952:

The Committee set up by the Board at its meeting on 27th June to consider this matter recommends that it be dealt with by including in the Board's Annual Report to Grand Lodge the paragraph following:

The Board is informed that some members of Lodges have attended meetings of this organization. The Craft is not concerned with bodies which do not claim to be Masonic, and do not make Freemasonry a test of participation in their meetings. The Board is satisfied, however, that this organization touches Freemasonry at two points: (1) It restricts membership to Master Masons in good standing, and to certain of their female relatives; (2) It requires that there shall be present at certain of its ceremonies a Freemason in good standing. The Board has no grounds for questioning the good intentions and useful service of this organization; these, however, are beside the point. What is material is that the organization is both one which admits women, and one which, in the way explained, is quasi-Masonic. After long and careful consideration, and after putting itself in communication with the Masonic authorities of the United Grand Lodge of England and the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales, the Board recommends that our attitude should be that of those Grand Lodges, and that we should definitely take up the stand that any brother of the Craft who associates himself with this or any similar organization is guilty of Masonic irregularity. As the seriousness of such conduct may not have been realized by Brethren who have hitherto participated in this organization's activities, the Board would be reluctant to take proceedings in respect of past occurrences; but recommends that besides adoption of this report, which will enable representatives of Lodges to report to their lodges the decision of Grand Lodge, a notification be embodied permanently in the Board's collective rulings, in the terms following:

QUASI-MASONIC ORGANIZATIONS ADMITTING WOMEN

Every Freemason is guilty of Masonic irregularity who associates himself with any organization to which women are

admitted and which uses as a condition of membership the status of being a Freemason or being related to a Freemason, or is in any other way quasi-Masonic in its character. Such conduct on the part of a member of a Lodge holding under Grand Lodge renders him liable to disciplinary proceedings.

NEW ZEALAND, Grand Master, 1952.

While we glory in the past, let us look to the future and endeavor to prove worthy of our traditions. The future of Freemasonry is in the hands of its present members and will be safe so long as we honestly practice the principles and tenets of our system and take every care to admit only those whom we consider will do likewise. It is not something to be taken off and put on with our Masonic clothing, but should be taken home and used in the family, in business, and in all walks of life. If we have learned the principles, rightly understand them, and honestly put them in practice, our thoughts and actions must react to such an extent that we will be better citizens—humble enough to appreciate another man's views, but steadfast enough to think and do what is right and to encourage others to do the same. The very nature of our unsettled world is a challenge to us to remain steadfast to our traditions and by so doing make a worthwhile contribution to international understanding.

Have you ever given thought as to why our institution has continued to grow and to hold the respect of the world at large? It attracts men of all nations, of all creeds, and of all stations in life. It cannot be on account of the badge we wear, for it is not shown to the outside world. Nor can it be on account of our lodge rooms. If they were all magnificent buildings they would undoubtedly impress the public. But this is not so, and whether it be an imposing building or a bare country hall, our teachings are the same and they are the attraction. Put shortly, the aim of Speculative Freemasonry is to build men and to encourage them to take an interest in their fellow men. Our Order is founded on the Grand Principles of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth, and teachings based on such a sure foundation cannot do otherwise than continue to attract men.

The first essential of every Freemason is an unqualified belief in God. That great central truth, the Alpha of Freemasonry, is that God, or by whatever name He is known, lives and governs the world. What wonder, then, that through the long years, an institution, insisting on a belief

in God, should command the respect and devotion of those who perceive, as did the Masonic poet Robert Burns, the magnificent idea of the brotherhood of mankind? No other institution teaches this with greater force than does Freemasonry. There is nothing more satisfying than human friendship, and I hope that the Craft will continue to bring men together in friendship and understanding. There is a universal craving in the world today, a deep-seated, urgent longing for genuine brotherhood which will establish goodwill and harmony in our troubled world. What do we mean by brotherhood and what does it involve? It means putting aside the primary thought of self and recognising that others have rights. It requires that we should be humble and not puffed up with pride. Brotherhood stands for tolerance of the opinions of others—mutual regard for each other's rights, mutual desire for each other's welfare, and mutual regret for each other's misfortunes. It requires that we should temper justice with mercy, ever remembering that we are all members of one family whose Father is the Great Architect of the Universe. The tragedy of our day is that men have learned to die together but have not learned to live together. When brotherhood encompasses the earth, then, indeed, will the true spirit of Freemasonry prevail.

In the Final Charge in the First Degree we are told that Benevolence and Charity are truly Masonic ornaments. Charity must not be confused with benevolence, which is the giving of monetary aid to the needy. Freemasonry stands for systematic benevolence or relief. From our first introduction into the Craft the duty and necessity of systematic giving is constantly impressed upon us. The privilege of caring for the distressed brother, the bereaved widow, and the desolate orphan could justly be called the brightest jewel in the Masonic Crown.

Grand as our efforts have been in the building of our benevolent funds, I hope the day may not be too far distant when we shall have homes for the aged Masons where they may spend the sunset of their days in peace. In all seriousness, I make this suggestion to our Board of Benevolence, that they consider the purchase of a house of reasonable size to be used as a home for aged Masons. I am sure that if a home were established in one centre with a competent matron in charge it would be an immediate success, and of such benefit to our older brethren that an extension of the service would be required. Future Boards may give consideration to the establishment of convalescent homes where

Masons and their wives on discharge from hospital may recuperate in pleasant surroundings.

With Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth as its foundation, our institution can never fail; but let me sound a warning.

We all know that there are abroad today dread philosophies and ideologies which are absolutely foreign and repugnant to our teachings. We must be constantly on our guard lest these subversive elements, with their poisonous doctrines, infiltrate our Order. Make no mistake, Brethren if the exponents of these doctrines cannot discredit us from without—and a very serious attempt to do so has been made in England this year—they will endeavor to disrupt us from within. We would do well to remember the words of William Penn, the founder of Pennsylvania, who said "Those people who are not governed by God will be ruled by tyrants."

Not only must we practise all the moral virtues, but we must work. Our teachings exemplify the dignity of labour, for is not "labour the lot of man?" The whole of our ritual has always been and still is referred to as "work." We are proud to acknowledge our descent from the Operative Mason of the past centuries, and we still retain the visible sign of our connection with them in the aprons we wear; for, although we decorate them with ribbons and emblems, almost out of recognition, we should ever remember that their foundation is the leather apron of the worker. Labour is honorable to all men, and the aprons we wear are the outward symbols of our faith in work. No man can be a true Mason if he lives a life of ease by sponging on his fellow men.

As I have already said, Masonry teaches the necessity of practising all the moral virtues, and of these the three principal are Faith, Hope, and Charity. They are the principal rungs of that Ladder which reaches from earth to Heaven, and which connects our lodges with the Grand Lodge above. We should have faith in God, faith in ourselves, faith in our fellow men, and faith in the ultimate happiness of all mankind. At the same time we should have hope in the present and hope in the future. Above all, in order to attain the summit of our profession, we must have that virtue which comprehends the whole—we must have Charity. Shortly put, Charity is service to others. Our duty to our neighbor is to act with him on the square, to render him every kind office which justice or mercy may require; by relieving his necessities and soothing his afflictions; and by doing to him as in similar cases we would wish that he should do to us.

Brethren, let us remember that the glorious position in which Freemasonry stands today in those countries of the world where it has not been suppressed is entirely due to those brethren who have spent their lives in the true Masonic manner. Is it not our privilege, nay, our bounden duty, so to live our lives that we may, for the benefit of the Masonic future, add a Perfect Ashlar to our grand edifice?

NORTH CAROLINA, Grand Master, 1952.

We are conscious of the critical situation which confronts the world today in the conflict between freedom and slavery, God and materialism, democracy and despotism, the American way of life and communism.

With these evils, Masonry cannot afford to compromise. Now, as never before, we should exert our influence to maintain and preserve the rights of free men; to live, to think, and to act for themselves without compulsion from any source, be it political, ecclesiastical or military. For two generations, ambitious, selfish men have tried by might and power to enslave the free people of the world. It is the purpose of Masonry to try to instill in the hearts and minds of men the dignity of the individual, the law of brotherly love, and the equality of every man before God. If this could be accomplished many of the evils which trouble the world today could be eliminated and the peoples of the world live in peace.

My brethren, the State of the Craft in North Carolina is good, *Perhaps too good*. Adversity is what brings out the best in us, not prosperity. "Whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth." While the outlook is most promising, yet we must not sit back in our complacency, assuming that all is well when there may be pitfalls ahead. Under the supervision and watchful care of many loyal and capable Masons, during the years that are gone, have been laid the basic foundations and policies on which our prosperity depends. To them belong the glory. It is for us to so administer and safeguard the affairs of this Grand Lodge that the prosperity which we enjoy may continue and that our posterity may look back upon our efforts, not in condemnation but in commendation.

NORTH DAKOTA, Grand Master, 1953.

It seems futile to try to deliver to the members of this Grand Lodge, within any reasonable period of time, a mes-

sage which would cover those things which your Grand Master considers important.

In such a message I would want to stress the great need for better informed Masons—better informed on the history, Ancient Landmarks, Ancient Constitutions, jurisprudence, traditions, aims and ritual of our fraternity. Each of those very important component phases of the character of our fraternity might be the basis for a course of study. It would be folly to try to indoctrinate you with even a part of the needed information this morning.

Such a message should also impress upon you the vital importance of the religious character of Freemasonry. It is exceedingly important that Masons develop for themselves, through every means possible, an understanding of the indispensable help that every Mason and every lodge should give to our churches and the furtherance of God's work. Every Mason should be qualified to satisfactorily explain Freemasonry's religious character to the profane, to prospective petitioners, to members who might be faltering in their religious or Masonic faith, and to those who criticize our fraternity, particularly those who assume religious authority for their criticism.

Inspiring of patriotism, that patriotism which includes increased devotion to home and family, neighbors and community, and to state and nation, would be another important phase of such an address.

No man could talk long enough to adequately cover the many phases of Masonry's demands upon its members, and no man could absorb enough of such a discourse if he did stay to listen to all of it.

Your Grand Master tried to touch on those three phases of a Mason's responsibilities in his district meeting address, and felt that he barely mentioned them in his 25-minute effort at the 24 meetings. Since then he has tried to develop individual phases of a Mason's responsibility in the several talks he has prepared for presentation as he has travelled.

Practically every Mason in this room has heard the Grand Master on one or several occasions during the past year. Any message I might offer at this time would only be "more of the same," so we will proceed with the report.

July 13, 1952—Annual family picnic in Riverside park at Walhalla and the tiled meeting on Masonic Lookout Point, overlooking the park and city, attracted over 1,200 for the

afternoon religious program and more than 200 Master Masons for the tiled meeting opened by the officers of East Star Lodge No. 55 of Gretna, Man., and closed by the officers of Walhalla Lodge No. 50, always the host lodge for the annual event. M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe, Past Grand Master of Manitoba, and your Grand Master spoke on the afternoon program, and M.W. Bro. Charles M. Pollock, our Past Grand Master and deputy in North Dakota for the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite, was the speaker for the tiled meeting.

OKLAHOMA, Grand Master, 1953.

As your Grand Master I have spoken in Lodge meetings, Lodges of Instruction, District meetings—whenever it was possible—always deeming it to be my duty to bring to the attention of my Brethren this struggle to the death between clashing ideologies; to trace for them as vividly as possible the growth of the American dream of a fair land of equal opportunity where men worship God according to the dictates of their own consciences, believe in the sanctity of the individual human soul, are tolerant, just and imbued with a real spirit of brotherhood. I have felt impelled to warn them of the danger to their country and to Masonry which lies in the evil ideology of Communism. This ideology denies the existence of God, makes a mockery of brotherhood, scorns every idea of the sanctity of the individual, believes that might makes right and teaches that the bigger the lie the better its chance of success.

As Masons we must practice assiduously out of the Lodges those great moral virtues which are inculcated in it. Shoulder to shoulder with the churches we can, through more intensive practice of our principles, stem the decline in public, business and personal morality. We must, as good Masons, support our churches of whatever denomination. We must, as good Masons, be good citizens. Ours is a great heritage. We are in danger of losing it if we do not bring to the struggle something of the high moral purpose and something of the burning passion for freedom which actuated our founding fathers.

The cry of humanity is for peace and good will among men, for the universal practice of those fundamental principles of morality and brotherly love which are the essence of Masonic teaching. Masonry must be strong because it is

one of the potent forces for good in this great struggle between contesting ideologies. More and more we realize that Freemasonry is founded upon principles that should govern all mankind, and our success in promoting good will and understanding among all men will materially depend upon the extent to which they are enlightened regarding our aims and desires. We should ever be conscious of those binding obligations that we assume, and let the world know by precept and example, that, if all were imbued with the principles of our Order, this would be a better place wherein to dwell.

Masonry is not a material thing; it is a science of the soul; it is not merely a creed or doctrine, but a universal expression of the Divine Wisdom. We are dedicated to Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth, and there is no doubt in our minds that the freedom of worship that we hold dear and enjoy is the keystone to all freedoms. With the destruction of this freedom, mankind has nothing upon which to cling; civilization would crumble and be destroyed. Masonry does not subscribe to any particular creed or cult. But, it does require that anyone accepted within its precepts must affirm a belief in a Supreme Being. We stand as soldiers in the great Masonic army of the world; we guard with vigilance that priceless heritage passed down to us through the years and which is now in our keeping. Our cause is just. Faith in the ideals and principles of our institution is unwavering.

The spirit of friendship and brotherhood, graciousness, respect and co-operation have been ever present. I regret my inability to ever properly repay you all for your magnificent consideration throughout this past year. Again, let me express my sincere thanks and appreciation for the greatest honor and most distinct privilege which is in your power to confer—that of Most Worshipful Grand Master. I hope that I have fulfilled the confidence that you have placed in me and at least, in a measure, lived up to your expectations.

Thank you, brethren, and may Almighty God bless and watch over you, now and forever more.

ONTARIO, Grand Master, 1953.

I cannot speak with confidence on much, if any, improvement in international affairs. The negotiations for peace still continue without much evident progress in Korea; and there have been sporadic conflicts which still continue in

many other parts of a war-weary world. A change of administration in Russia seemed to indicate, for a brief period, a more friendly attitude towards the rest of the world, but a subsequent more vigorous campaign in Indo-China soon demonstrated an increase, rather than a diminution of communistic propaganda and aggression. The future does not show immediate brightness, but there is hope that, through patience, and continued perseverance in adherence to just and upright ideals, these countries, just emerging from the "kindergarten" of democratic experimentation, may eventually learn the value of collective bargaining and co-operation, and thus relieve world tension.

We were encouraged when a belated agreement was reached on the exchange of prisoners of war in Korea; but almost two years of negotiations served to emphasize the tremendous difference in psychology and philosophy between Asiatic and other Eastern peoples, and those of the so-called Western Civilization. Perhaps we should rejoice over the acceptance of the principle of individual choice as applied to the exchange of prisoners, and hope that this may encourage its future application to other problems in international relations.

However, these prolonged discussions, and the bitter prosecution of hostilities before terms for an armistice can be consummated, do not offer much hope that a Peace Treaty, which will satisfactorily terminate the distressful situation in Korea, will be signed in the immediate future.

The peoples of the world are slowly learning that the spirit of "live and let live" must prevail, and that, with increased education and enlightenment, the underprivileged and undeveloped countries must no longer suffer from selfish and coercive exploitation. Surely it should be possible for the great nations of the world to relinquish some of their national pride, prestige and prejudice in the interests of the peaceful pursuits of mankind.

In national, provincial and local development there is much concern over the alleged disappearance of so-called basic values, in the increase of juvenile delinquency, in the apparent lack of attention to moral and ethical standards and in the neglect and flouting of religious and spiritual tenets and principles. Along with many others I have been pessimistic about the future of civilization, but I believe there are grounds for hope. Changes have come and will continue and we must accept them, but we must attempt to direct them along proper lines to insure advancement.

My experience has been that, beneath the seeming superficial frivolity of the youth of to-day, there is a fundamental seriousness and a desire for improvement in social and political practices. They are seeking a firm foundation on which their lives may be built, and they are not convinced that old standards are sound. Modern youth hate hypocrisy and are inclined to consider that the immediate past generation have been inclined to foster this attitude. Perhaps they have a point!

There has always been a percentage of mankind which has frequently failed to confirm its expressed ideals and resolutions through practical application. Two great wars and their subsequent confusion have fostered an inadvisable leniency in the enforcement of laws and regulations and a departure from moral obligations. Great material, industrial and financial progress, together with a tremendous increase in the zest to obtain the necessities, luxuries and pleasures of life amidst the hustle and bustle of modern business, have encouraged a neglect of the home and its duties and responsibilities. The adoption of a somewhat spurious psychological philosophy which advocates the development of innate qualities and personality without the application of well-tried and well-established disciplinary measures, has encouraged lawlessness and lack of industry, and has tended to establish the erroneous conception that success can be obtained by "short-cuts" and that labour is somewhat undignified. These and many other suggestions will constantly present themselves to thoughtful persons.

The very fact that people, and especially the youth of to-day are recognizing that problems do exist, encourages the hope that solutions will be sought and found. One error which must be avoided is excessive haste. We all like to see things accomplished, and all too frequently decisions are reached prematurely without sufficient reference to historical background. Satisfactory results can never be attained through "piece-meal" efforts. The home, the school and the church must take concerted, co-operative action to re-vitalize and establish more firmly those spiritual, moral and ethical values upon which our democratic civilization has been built and through which social progress has been developed.

We will do well to remember that moral and social advancement is fundamentally an individual responsibility. May I emphasize this maxim by quoting the "Credenda" published by the late Col. Edwin Marshall Hadley of Chi-

cago, a noted lecturer and author who made a considerable contribution to civic, patriotic and fraternal affairs.

“To preserve one’s serenity; to work with calmness amidst the tired and scolding children of humanity, keeping a nice balance between a softness of heart that invites imposition and a hardness of heart that repels confidences; to preserve humility amid honors and a proper pride in adversity; to avoid condescension among those less fortunate and to abstain from servility among those more richly endowed; to live each day joyously, superior to depression from trivialities; to read much; to reflect much; to cultivate the flowers in our disposition and to eradicate the weeds; to say the commonplace word that heals rather than the clever word that rankles; in a word, to justify our existence so that when the last glorious adventure has opened before us our friends may say: ‘He really lived and he really died.’ ”

These words have a familiar ring, and remind us of the definition of an ideal Mason in our Ceremony of Installation. It is a statement of high ideals and resolves which present a challenge in living. However, I feel confident that, if the hundreds of thousands of Masons throughout the world would seriously work at them, much improvement would result, and our ideal of happiness for all mankind would be much closer to attainment.

PENNSYLVANIA. Grand Master, 1952.

Once again the time has come for the R.W. Grand Master to give to the Grand Lodge a report of the activities of your various officers and committees during the past twelve months.

Masonry this year has been celebrating the 200th Anniversary of the entrance of George Washington into the Fraternity. Not only in Pennsylvania, but also throughout the land, Masonic recognition of this supremely important event has been given. Over and over again his pre-eminent place in the Craft has been acknowledged and emphasized. This is as it should be. In loving remembrance of all he accomplished in our national life and in our Fraternity, every true Mason’s heart thrills with pride that he, too, was one of us. And all through his written records we find him expressing his unbounded confidence in the brethren during the trying times of the Revolutionary War and the early

years of our beloved Republic. Again and again, both he and Benjamin Franklin show us that one of the major unifying influences on which they relied was the brotherhood they found in the Masons from all thirteen colonies. No permanent camp was ever set up during the war without its military lodge. And in the years immediately following the war the unity of the brethren was a decisive factor in bringing the Pilgrim fathers of New England and the Cavaliers of the South into a Union whose symbol is still best represented by the Goddess standing at our Entrance Gateway in New York harbor, holding aloft the torch that proclaims Liberty to all the world.

But brethren, it is not enough to recognize that we have received this magnificent heritage from the past. Those early Masons lived noble lives but they are no longer here to act today. You and I stand in their places. We are the custodians of Masonry and its influence today and the fundamental struggle between good and evil is waged anew in each generation.

Have you ever wondered what is God's purpose for Masonry? Why has He permitted it to live through the centuries? This is a personal question for each one of us. If God has a purpose for Masonry, He has a purpose for each of us as individual Masons.

May I digress for just a moment. Recently, Brother Melvin M. Johnson, the Senior Most Worshipful Past Grand Master of Massachusetts recommended to a group of us that we read again the discourse of the Prince of India before Constantine in Lew Wallace's book "The Prince of India." This was an attempt on the part of the Prince to proclaim the one fundamental religious belief on which all men could unite. This Prince reads to Constantine passages from the Koran of the Moslem—the Kings of the Chinese—the Avesta of the Magians of Persia—the Sutras of the Buddhists—the Veda of the Hindoos and the Bible of the Jew and Christian. He closes with the great question the Lawyer asked of Christ, "Master, which is the great commandment in the law?" And Christ answered; "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul and with all thy mind." And He added—"This is the first and great commandment!" "My Lord," says the Prince to Emperor Constantine, "No man has ever invented nor shall any man ever invent an expression more perfectly definitive of the highest human duty . . . Belief in God." You have heard Brother Johnson proclaim this as the one fundamental and

unalterable Landmark of Freemasonry, and it is the one thing that unites Freemasonry the world around. As Masons, must we not agree that the reason we are not really united in the United Nations is because we are attempting to unite with an ideology that simply denies the existence of God and His dominance in the universe.

Well, let us come back to the question of what God has planned for Masonry and for each individual Mason. Are you discouraged as you see the continuing conflict all over the world? Do you wonder what part you can play to accomplish God's purpose in the world?

Think again of another picture, in the Old Testament. Remember when Esther was queen in the Court of Ahasuerus, who was King of the Medes and Persians. She was a Jewess, but the King did not know it. And he was persuaded to issue a decree against the Jews that they should all be killed. And Mordecai, her uncle and guardian, said to her, "Think not that thou shalt escape in the King's house more than all the Jews. For if thou holdest thy peace at this time . . . thou and thy father's house shall be destroyed." And then he asked this age old question of her, "And who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"

Brethren, in God's providence Masonry has been preserved for us, and each of us as he looks at his beloved heritage from Washington and the other noble Masons of the past must face the same question "Who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?" May the God of all Masons—Christian, Jew, Mohammedan, Buddhist—guide, protect and strengthen us to unite around our one common altar in the brotherhood of man which is the only real acknowledgment of His fatherhood.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, Grand Master, 1953.

The task that lies ahead of us is a tremendous one, a task that will require our united efforts in order to bring same to a successful conclusion.

Our detractors are becoming more and more active and more and more vindictive; however, I have no fear whatever that we shall fail in our great mission of planting the seeds of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth in the hearts of our fellow-men so that this planet of ours will eventually become a

place where mankind may live together in peace and harmony.

That, my brethren, in brief is the mission of our beloved Fraternity and until, that mission is achieved, we must not cease to labor towards bringing about that much desired and beneficial condition. Remember, brethren, if we fail, then Masonry will be a failure; but I know that if we are united into one solid band of friends and brothers and are actuated by the principles of those three tenets that we shall march on to ultimate success, overcoming all obstacles that may tend to impede our progress.

We have a rough and rugged road before us, a road that will be so rough and rugged in parts that the faint hearted will falter. But my term of office as your Grand Master has taught me that we possess the proper material in our midst that will rise superior to all occasions and surmount all difficulties so that the eventual success of our mission will never be in doubt.

Brethren, my parting message to you is that you should ever bear in mind that you should always strive, with all your hearts, to accomplish this great mission of bringing all men under the prevailing sentiment among mankind—the practice of the Brotherhood of Man under the benign guidance and blessing of the Fatherhood of God.

Do your utmost to achieve that end and you will have truly accomplished your duty as true Masons and rendered yourselves worthy of the confidence that was reposed in you.

QUEENSLAND, Board of General Purposes, 1953.

The President: In moving the adoption of Clause (d), I might mention that this matter has been handled by the Board for over two years. We have now reached finality in respect to music, particularly for Lodges in the country that have no organist, and perhaps no organ. I have arranged with the Grand Organist to have the discs here tonight, and he can play them later for the benefit of the brethren present.

Clause (d) was adopted.

The Grand Organist played the records pertaining to the First Degree referred to in Clause (d) of the Report.

M.W. Grand Master: Brethren, I think you will agree that Lodges with no facilities for music at their degree work would be very pleased to have music such as that. I am somewhat sceptical, however, as to whether they will be able to arrange it as it has been arranged here. If the records are properly handled I am sure they will provide the music that is essential for good degree work. I should like to congratulate the Grand Organist and those responsible for producing the records.

SASKATCHEWAN, Grand Master, 1953.

CHARACTER

Freemasonry is a way of life which calls into play all the forces of life in building that Temple of the soul of which the Temple built by King Solomon is to us a symbol. Its task and program is directed to the development of the soul, or in other words, making the otherwise rough ashlar more perfect. A Mason is a man and a brother whose trust is in God. He meets you on the level and acts on the square. Truth is his Compass and he is ever Plumb. He is loyal to his Order and whatever his station, he is Master of himself.

In building that Temple of Brotherhood character is vital. Character does not come cheap; nature has few bargain counters and this appears to be true especially in the realm of morals. Everyone knows it requires little energy to slide down hill, or drift unconsciously, but climbing "winding stairs" tests every muscle and faculty. "Character is what a man is in the dark." Character is like a foundation to a house—that part which is below the surface and which gives the house strength and stability. Character is what man really is, while one's reputation is what others believe him to be.

Men everywhere respect and admire noble character. Character is difficult to define. It is an elemental factor of life and is what God knows us to be. You cannot build character and courage by taking away man's initiative and independence. There is the story of Sir Harry Lauder who as a boy worked in the coal pits in his beloved Scotland. He possessed a fine voice and in due time became a talented entertainer and singer of humorous songs. A few years later he was Knighted by King George because of the rugged grandeur of his character. Amid all the temptations connected with the music hall, he clung to the simple virtues

taught him in his youth; he kept himself pure; he was sober and thrifty; he always observed the Sabbath and maintained his faith in God. His whole life is a shining example of sterling Character.

Life's one task is the making of manhood. The world is our College; events are our teachers, but Character is the Diploma God gives man.

We cannot all play a winning game;

Someone is sure to lose;

But we can play so that our name,

No one will dare accuse.

And when the Master Referee scores against our name;

It will not be whether we've lost or won,

But how we played the game.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA, Grand Master, 1953.

On the 18th August, accompanied by the R.W. the Deputy Grand Master, the Grand Wardens and other Grand Officers, I had the privilege of officiating at the Consecration of Keswick Lewis Lodge, No. 185—the fifth lodge founded since I became Grand Master—and the installation its first Master, W. Bro. W. E. Harris, P.G. Std. The zeal and enthusiasm of the brethren of this new lodge argues well for its future. I think that the action of Keswick Lodge in sponsoring a Lewis Lodge is to be commended. Lodges with large membership might, I suggest, give serious consideration to the desirability of forming a Lewis Lodge, which will not only give greater opportunities to a considerable number of their brethren for Masonic advancement during their younger and more energetic and formative years, but will also lessen the risk that is always attendant on large numbers, that some brethren may miss the warmth of that close fraternal relationship which Freemasonry should give them, and tend to become Freemasons in name only.

Let me now turn to a subject that is calling more and more for the serious attention of thinking men. There is today a continuous upsurge of world-planners who are constantly putting forward schemes for the material welfare of the community. Every plan makes open appeal to sentiment and to selfishness, to the increase of our physical comfort, to the improvement of our material surroundings, to the establishment of our financial security and perpetual

freedom from want. Man is beginning to feel that the world's griefs are all of economic origin. "The spirit of man craves a friendly God and they give him economics." He asks for immortality, and they offer "social security." Are we not ceasing to think of birth and death, of the infinite, of God, and the sublime secrets of the universe. It has been well said that "the astonishing and least comprehensible thing about man is his range of vision his gaze into the infinite distance; his lonely passion for ideas and ideals, far removed from his material surroundings and animal activities, and in no way suggested by them; yet for which, such is his affection, he is willing to endure toils and privations, to sacrifice pleasures, to disdain griefs and frustrations; and for which, rating them in value above his own life, he will stand till he dies, with the profound conviction he entertains that if nothing be worth dying for nothing is worth living for." Brethren, if there is one thing our great Order teaches, it is that we are not to look for Paradise on this earth. We are but passing through it, and the incentives of material prosperity and social security are poor substitutes for the divine future to which we Masons look in the Grand Lodge above with the G.A.O.T.U. For what shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?

SOUTH CAROLINA, Grand Master, 1953.

While I did not announce any particular theme for my administration nor any specific objectives, there has been uppermost in my mind the familiar term "*More Light.*"

"More Light!" How many times we have heard these words in our lodges—and yet, I have often wondered if we, the Masons in South Carolina, have ever fully realized just what they mean. It is my considered opinion that we have not.

Far too many of us, I fear, have been under the mistaken impression that the instruction given to the candidate by the Master or other Presiding Officer, immediately after these words are used, and the lecture that follows, are all that is necessary. When we have done this in accordance with our ritual we seem to feel that our duty in this connection has been discharged. Have we not at that point, pulled aside the veil and revealed to the candidate, who seeks to become one of us, our most treasured secrets? Surely then, you may say, we have complied with the candi-

date's request for "More Light." In part, yes—and perhaps, for the moment, you may have satisfied his innate desire for more knowledge. Actually, however, when we give serious thought to the matter, we have to admit that, at best, we have but scratched the surface.

By "light" we mean knowledge, learning, wisdom in the ancient art of Freemasonry. "More Light" is not something that comes automatically. It is not easily attained. It is not a goal to be reached without exertion. Rather, it is a continuing search—and a never ending quest—with the precious stones of truth embedded in the mine of Masonry as the rich reward of our long and laborious endeavors. It is generally conceded that the man who possesses the greatest knowledge of his business or profession is the one most likely to succeed. By the same token, the Mason who earnestly and continually seeks "more light" will, most likely, make a success in the practice of the Mystic Art we call Freemasonry and will, thereby, come closest to the realization of what I consider to be our chief objective—the rendering of the greatest possible service to God and to our fellowman. Such a Mason will, by his very profession, be not only willing but anxious to share his increased knowledge with his brethren that they, too, may have "more light."

It has been my experience, since you first honored me with office in the Grand Lodge, that not only the younger brethren but also those who have been Masons for years, are eager for "more light." And I am firmly convinced that we who are in places of responsibility in the Grand Lodge have not done all that can be done to furnish to lodge officers and to the Craft generally, tools with which "to explore the mines of wisdom that lie buried beneath the surface."

We have made a start during the year toward making "More Light" available to the Craft. This has been done primarily through the splendid Instructional Meetings, at both the District and Lodge levels, under the able direction of the Masonic Service Committee and through the pages of "Masonic Light."

It is my earnest hope that what has been done along this line may prove to be a foundation on which future Grand Masters, if they see fit, may build to the end that, in due time, we will have a complete system of Masonic Instruction that will provide "More Light" to all who seek it.

TASMANIA, Grand Master, 1953.

"Studying Freemasonry is like looking at a sunset. Each man who looks is filled with the beauty and wonder of it but the glory is not diminished." For nearly three years I have been studying Masons and Masonry and whilst the one has proved a fascinating mental experience, the other has been full of lively active human interest. Together we have climbed some of the high mountains of Masonry there to gaze on the distant hills, there to reflect on the beauty and wonder of Masonry in all its glory. When at my installation I was elevated to the high and honorable position of Grand Master and I asked for the help and support of my brethren, I little knew how full nor how generously these hopes would be realized, for with your help and support I have seen the beauty and wonder of Masonry expressed in the warm glow of your friendship, the richness of your love, the steadfastness of your faith. Two years ago your expressed faith in me was stronger than mine own. Faith such as this is inspiring, for out of this simple faith there grows by inevitable logic, the philosophy which Masonry teaches. The philosophy of Masonry is friendship and Masonry is friendship in action. "Walt Whitman found the basis of all philosophy, all religion in the dear love of man for his comrade, the attraction of friend to friend." Also in Masonic literature it is one perpetual paean of the practice of friendship from earliest time to our own day. Assured as we are of the uplifting influence of Masonry let us not be afraid, each one of us, to cultivate a lofty ideal of our Masonic duty. It has been said that those who live on a mountain not only have a wider view but enjoy a longer day than those who live in a valley. We have but one day to live. What we have to do must be done here and now. Let us therefore not be afraid to live on a mountain in our ideals of Freemasonry and so secure a longer day in which to unite in the grand design of being happy, and communicating happiness to others.

When one task is near its closing stages, even as is mine today, it may be likened to the sunset which comes in the world around us. The transcendent glory of the sunset has been seen by the poet and the ordinary man. Artists like Turner, possessed unusual power by which what he saw was realistically imposed upon canvas. But the glory of it all abides with those who have stayed to look thoughtfully upon it.

And in this hour, as if looking upon a sunset, I see the light upon the higher hills—for these two years have shown me heights of love and loyalty ablaze with the glory of high living and noble service. I have seen Masons and Masonry which remind me of the glory of the higher hills in the bright and glowing sunlight of nature. For, outstanding and sunlit loyalty and service I have witnessed—never to be forgotten. The sunset brings such experiences to mind. Yet even in the sunset glory which nature provides there can be seen shadows, for as the sun dies down the lower levels lose the glory. And in my time as your G.M. I have seen not only the sunlit heights of loyalty and noble service, but unfortunately I have seen some shadows revealing the weaknesses even found among Masons which are in striking contrast to the higher levels of glorious service.

But there is something else to be discovered and pondered upon when sunset brings its glories. For after the sunset comes again the sunrise. I am near the end of a very happy and cheering period of association with you all as your Grand Master, but I do not forget whilst it is sunset for me, it is soon to be a glorious and promising sunrise for my successor. I face the West, he faces the East, and my wish for him is that he will enjoy the warmth of the respect and loyalty and love which Masons have given unto me. And when sunset time arrives in his high Masonic office, may he be privileged to see the glories which can never be diminished.

TEXAS, Grand Master, 1953.

During this year through the media of the Grand Lodge Magazine, the District Deputies and the visits that I had the privilege of making, we attempted to call to the attention of the brethren the value of dignity in Masonry, especially calling to their attention the fact that the only way we can maintain our position as individuals within our community is for each and every member to live his Masonry. By doing this in the true sense the profane would always respect us and, therefore, look to us for leadership in the respective fields of moral, governmental and social activities.

Also, we have attempted to emphasize that it is the responsibility if each individual member to practice his Masonry in his everyday activities. This obligation rests with the officers of this Grand Lodge and the officers of our subordinate lodges in that by maintaining the proper dignity within our activities when at labor and instructing the

candidate about Masonry as it applies to him as an individual, we will assist in carrying out and maintaining the standard that we must perpetuate, if we are to do our part as individuals in keeping our free democratic form of government. This can be done only so long as we merit the respect and esteem of the profane.

During the year we observed in some areas that some of the brethren, who were not familiar with the purposes of Masonry, were attempting to project new ideas into our work, to develop new ideas in the conferring of the Degrees, and to present new ideas in the conduct of the business of our lodges. We have called to their attention that if these practices were continued the results would be that we would soon lose sight of the purposes of this great Fraternity of ours, then, in my opinion, we would lose the purpose of our existence.

I pointed out in my message to the brethren in the September issue of the Grand Lodge Magazine.

"Let us remember the dignity and high ideals of our Fraternity and that it should live in an atmosphere in which it cannot be disturbed by the single passing of a generation. It is too big, my brethren, to allow itself to be swayed one way or the other with the mere coming and going of one generation. Let us be concerned with teaching the dignity of Masonry rather than raising a large number of candidates, remembering that our doors should swing outward as well as inward.

"Should our good name be traduced, remember that the good name of Masonry, itself, is in our keeping. Let us adhere to the landmarks and be resolute to protect them from the blighting hand of change and indifferences, and that we may transmit them with scrupulous purity to our successors.

"Gratifying indeed to those of us who love and cherish the principles and ancient tradition of Freemasonry, that in the midst of this ultra-progressive age of modern thought and action our Fraternity has withstood the ravishes of time and today holds high the banner of hope for all mankind.

"Masonry is an institution, and its usages, customs, laws and ancient regulations are fixed and unalterable. We ring out a challenge that Masonry needs nothing new—that we should raise high the danger signal whenever disturbing symptoms appear which tend to destroy our ancient traditions and therefore destroy the dignity of Masonry."

We have on every occasion raised this question that we should ask ourselves, "Why am I a Master Mason?" In attempting to impress upon each of us that we should search our souls to answer accurately and truly that question in the way that we should answer it, to assist us to answer it properly, I have asked that we check ourselves on some of the sublime secrets of life and by those rules of conduct laid down by the great life of Masonry and summed up in the Ten Commandments.

We, as individual Masons and in our group activity, have a great responsibility today in that we should very vigorously take an active part in our government, in our churches, in our schools, and in our homes, so that we can be certain that we hand to the next generation the same freedoms in which we are privileged to live today. That is our responsibility as it was the responsibility of our forefathers.

The reason, in my opinion, that our responsibilities are so great in that respect is the fact that Freemasonry is being attacked from several different fields. One of these is that Communism is taking a very definite stand against the principles for which we stand, and it is a very definite threat to Freemasonry. During this past year, as it has been since 1948, infiltration into our Fraternity has been a real threat. This subversive influence will not be defeated until each of us has taken our place in society, so that the American way of life, as we have known it and as our forefathers knew it, will be continued.

We should store up within ourselves fundamental virtues sufficient to withstand every kind of destructive element that is today tearing down the doors of this nation and all other free nations. We can do the job efficiently and effectively only if we fully understand the dignity of Masonry as well as the purposes and direction in which we are to move forward.

VICTORIA, Grand Master, 1953.

... For 1951 was a year of outstanding importance, and as well, of danger. In the world scene, we have watched and participated in the fight for right in Korea, which still, alas, goes on; we have also watched and taken part in the painful but necessary building-up of ever-greater defence forces for the preservation of peace. World peace has been maintained, with the result that we can say today that war is not only not inevitable, it is quite possible it might not occur.

Yet, be that as it may, one of the outstanding and hopeful events in the upheaval and unrest through which the world is passing, is the stability of Freemasonry. It remains quite unaffected by those many evil forces which tend to impact so viciously upon our day-to-day life. In such circumstances, it is a splendid sign to watch the membership in this State mounting and mounting, as more and more citizens wish to join our Craft.

But as quantity grows we must see to it that quality is fully maintained. From all I have seen, it IS so maintained; for wherever I have travelled throughout this State, I have been forcibly struck by the burning desire of all to keep safe our essential and ancient landmarks of faith in God, of the sacredness of the Volume of the Sacred Law, and of our unswerving loyalty and allegiance to Her Majesty the Queen. We need have no fears or anxieties so long as this spirit prevails.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA, Grand Master, 1953.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

In February, 1929, the Grand Lodge adopted recommendations of the Third Australasian Masonic Conference, reading as follows:

- (a) That no Freemason be permitted to attend any meeting of, or be a member of, the Order of the Eastern Star;
- (b) that no meeting of the Order of the Eastern Star be permitted in any lodge room.

The Order of the Eastern Star requires that its female members shall be close relatives of Master Masons, and that its male members shall be Master Masons. It is on the basis of its membership qualifications that the prohibition above-mentioned was imposed.

This matter has been the subject of earlier pronouncements and lodges were then advised fully.

At this stage I wish only to say that any member of this Jurisdiction who ignores the prohibition is committing a Masonic offence, rendering him liable to expulsion.

CANVASSING FOR INITIATES

There is one other matter I would like to mention. There has been a suspicion that, in some cases, there has been canvassing for initiates. It think it would be on rare occasions,

because it violates Masonic principles. I mention it so that brethren will be on their guard so that this pernicious practice will not appear within our ranks.

INITIATION ON NIGHT OF ELECTION

As long ago as 1902, the then Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Dr. Hackett, said:

"It is right to make a reference to the growing usage of Lodges initiating candidates on the night of their election, and I would urge upon the brethren that as far as possible this practice should be discontinued. No doubt instances will arise where it will be of benefit to the Craft, and may avoid individual inconvenience, that candidates should be initiated immediately after election, but it has to be remembered that this practice assumes that every candidate will obtain admission, and in a manner fetters the action of the members of a lodge who may be unwilling to place so great a slight on any candidate as to bring him under the very portals of a lodge only to inform him that the ballot being unfavourable to his application to join he must leave the precincts. This is an unworthy indignity to visit on anybody who desires to join our Order."

Since those early days the Book of Constitutions has been amended to preclude initiation on night of election except by dispensation, but the principles expressed by the late M.W. Bro. Hackett apply today as positively as they did at that time. Hence it should not be assumed that application for dispensation will ensure its issue. There must be express circumstances which render such a departure from the normal both necessary and desirable.

THE CONFERRED RANK OF PAST MASTER

Recently I have had occasion to consider many recommendations for the conferment of the rank of Past Master. I have accepted such recommendations in four cases only. It is my view that the rank of Past Master should be conferred only in the most exceptional circumstances and for services to Freemasonry in general. Unfortunately, some lodges appear to regard it as a convenient means of rewarding brethren for services to their respective lodges. I feel, however, that, if such a reward is intended, it would be more suitable to arrange for the brethren concerned to be qualified for election to the Chair by appointment to the office of Warden. Although this would mean that some officers would be held up temporarily in the normal line of promo-

tion, surely it is a minor sacrifice to make in the interests of the brother concerned. I commend this aspect of the matter to the serious consideration of lodges.

WYOMING, Grand Master, 1953.

Brethren: I shall soon turn over to my successor the gavel of authority and leave written upon the pages of time my efforts in behalf of Masonry in this State. I have no regrets of my acts because I have tried in my humble way to impress upon the brethren that Masonry is something real and belongs to them as well as to me, because "The Great Architect has designed it so." He has drawn my life upon His Trestle Board and given to me the working tools of Masonry, the Three Great Lights—The Holy Writ, Square and Compasses and has directed me to Build.

As Masons we are to build our Masonic Edifice so that it will radiate. It must be adorned with beauty so as to attract worthy men to the Craft.

Masons have ever been men who have sought more light. As we seek and find, let us disperse that light. In the Great Light we are told that we are The Light of the World, we're admonished to let it shine before men that they may see our good works and glorify Him. No man, especially a Brother Mason, has a right to hide his light under a bushel, to keep his light hid from the world. As Masons, we are to remember that we must square our actions by the square of virtue, ever keeping the compasses to circumscribe and keep us in due bounds with all mankind, and ever remembering that we are travelling upon that level of time to a country from whose bourne no traveller returns.

As Masons we have great responsibilities, to our God, to our country and to ourselves. To God to show him our deep reverence by keeping ourselves pure, clean and thereby setting a good example for others. To our country, that we are to work, encourage, obey, keep its laws and promulgate clean government, so that we may keep the liberty and freedom we now possess. To ourselves, that we walk worthy of the name of being a Mason, ever remembering, that we are the "Salt of the Earth" and keeping the Great Light that directs ever before us, then pray with the poet when he wrote:

O Lord God of Hosts
Be with us Yet,
Lest we forget,
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